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## CURRENT POSITION:

- Associate Professor, Department of History, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University, July 2019 -

## EDUCATION:

- PhD, History Education, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto. 2004-10.
- M.A., Environmental Studies, University of Victoria. 1997-99.
- Honours B.A, English and Environmental Studies, University of Victoria. 1989-95.

## PAST POSITIONS:

- Assistant Professor, Department of History, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University, 2015-2019
- Assistant Professor (contractually-limited appointment), L.R. Wilson Institute for Canadian History, McMaster University, 2013-15.
- SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, University of Guelph, 2011-13.

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## PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTION & STANDING

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## AWARDS:

- Heritage Toronto Award of Excellence for best book on Toronto history, 2015.
- Ontario Historical Society Fred Landon Award, 2015.
- Canadian Historical Association Clio Prize for Ontario, 2015.
- Canadian Federation for University Women Margaret Dale Philp Award, 2009-10.
- Oral History Association Elizabeth B. Mason Award for Best Oral History Project, 2002.

#### EXTERNAL FUNDING:

- SSHRC Insight Development Grant, \$38,000, June 2020.

#### MINOR GRANTS (York University):

- LA&PS Global and Community Engagement Project Fund Grant, \$1560, August 2019.
- Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies, Event support grant, \$1500, October 2019.
- Office of the VPRI, Funding for Scholarly Events and Outreach Activities, \$1500, November 2019.
- LA&PS Dean's Award for Research Excellence: Research Project Award, May 2020, May 2019.
- Office of Research Services, SSHRC Explore Grant, \$6500, December 2018.
- LA&PS Minor Research Grant, \$4940, 2017.
- LA&PS Global and Community Engagement Project Fund Grant, \$3400, 2016-17.

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS & ACADEMIC COLLABORATIONS:

- Principal Investigator, "Changing the Narrative: Connecting Indigenous and Settler Histories at Black Creek Pioneer Village," SSHRC Insight Development Grant, February 2019 (unsuccessful). Resubmitted February 2020.
- "Foragers of a Modern Countryside: Honey Bees, Agricultural Modernization, and Environmental Change in the Great Lakes Region," Book proposal accepted by McGill-Queens University Press, May 2019 (anticipated manuscript submission July 2021).
- Principal Investigator, "A People's History of Wildlife Management in British Columbia," BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), July 2018 – 2021.
- Project lead, Indigenous History Walking Tour of York University Keele Campus, collaboration with Jon Johnson of First Story Toronto. LA&PS Global and Community Engagement Project Fund Grant, 2016-18.
- Collaborator, Dwelling(s) in the Past, Toronto Migration Memory Collective, Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies, York University, 2016-17. Project lead: Gilberto Fernandes.
- Co-Applicant, Gender in the Indigenous Landscapes of Southern Ontario: CHESS 2017, SSHRC Connections Grant, 2017. Applicant: Sean Kheraj, York University.
- Collaborator, Canadian Historical GIS Partnership, SSHRC Partnership Development Grant, 2015-17. <http://geohist.ca>. PI: Marcel Fortin, University of Toronto.

## PUBLICATIONS:

### Under development:

- Jennifer Bonnell and Sean Kheraj, eds., *Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History* (book manuscript submitted to University of Calgary Press December 2020).
- "Occupational Hazards: Honey Bee Labour as an Interpretive Device in Animal History," book chapter for Jennifer Bonnell and Sean Kheraj, eds., *Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History* (submitted to University of Calgary Press, December 2020).

### Submitted:

- "From Polluted Periphery to Vital Green Corridor: Toronto's Don River Valley, 1793-1989," commissioned for Dimitry Anastakis and James Onusko's revised edition of *Ontario Since Confederation: A Reader* (University of Toronto Press), chapter manuscript submitted 24 June 2020.

### Books:

- *Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2014. Winner of the Canadian Historical Association's Clio Prize (2015), Heritage Toronto's Award of Excellence (2015), and the Ontario Historical Society's Fred Landon Award (2015). Finalist for the Canadian Historical Association's Sir John A. MacDonald Prize (2015) and the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences Canada Prize (2016).

### Edited Books:

- *Historical GIS Research in Canada*. Editor, with Marcel Fortin. Calgary: University of Calgary Press, 2014.

### Journal Articles (Refereed):

- "Early Insecticide Controversies and Beekeeper Advocacy in the Great Lakes Region," *Environmental History* 26, no. 1 (January 2021).
- "Insecticides, Honey Bee Losses, and Beekeeper Advocacy in Nineteenth-Century Ontario," *Ontario History* 112, no.2 (Fall 2020): 139-156. Special Issue: Ontario's Environmental History.
- "An Intimate Understanding of Place: Charles Sauriol and Toronto's Don River Valley,

1927-1989." *Canadian Historical Review* 92, no. 4 (December 2011): 607-636.

- "A Comforting Past: Skirting Conflict and Complexity at Montgomery's Inn." *Journal of Canadian Studies* 42, no.1 (Winter 2008): 127-153.
- "Difficult Exhibitions and Intimate Encounters." With Roger I. Simon. *Museum and Society* 5, no.2 (July 2007): 65-85. <http://www.le.ac.uk/ms/museumandsociety.html>.

#### Book Chapters (Refereed):

- "Advocates and Activists." Graeme Wynn with Jennifer Bonnell. In Colin M. Coates and Graeme Wynn, eds. *The Nature of Canada*, (Vancouver: OnPoint Imprint of UBC Press, 2019).
- "Introduction." With Marcel Fortin. In Jennifer Bonnell and Marcel Fortin, eds., *Historical GIS Research in Canada*, (Calgary: University of Calgary Press, 2014): ix-xix.
- "Reinventing the Map Library: The Don Valley Historical Mapping Project." With Marcel Fortin. In Jennifer Bonnell and Marcel Fortin, eds., *Historical GIS Research in Canada* (University of Calgary Press, 2014): 43-60.
- "Planning Nature and the City: Toronto's Lower Don River and Port Lands." With Gene Desfor. In L. Anders Sandberg, Stephen Bocking, Colin Coates and Ken Cruikshank, eds., *Urban Explorations: Environmental Histories of the Toronto Region* (Hamilton ON: Wilson Institute for Canadian History, McMaster University, 2013): 165-186.
- "A Social History of a Changing Environment: The Don River Valley, 1910-1931." In Gene Desfor and Jennefer Laidley, eds., *Reshaping Toronto's Waterfront* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2011): 123-150.
- "Socio-ecological Change in the Nineteenth and Twenty-first Centuries: The Lower Don River." With Gene Desfor. In Gene Desfor and Jennefer Laidley, eds., *Reshaping Toronto's Waterfront* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2011): 305-325.

#### Book Chapters (Non-Refereed):

- "Bringing Back the Don River: Sixty Years of Community Action." In Wayne Reeves and Christina Palassio, eds., *HtO: Toronto's Water from Lake Iroquois to Lost Rivers to Low-Flow Toilets* (Toronto: Coach House Press, 2008).

#### Web Articles (Non-Refereed):

- "Back to the Woods: This Time, Seeking Stories," *The Otter*. 12 December 2019. <https://niche-canada.org/2019/12/12/back-to-the-woods-this-time-seeking-stories/>

- "Remembering and Forgetting in Toronto's Ravines," *The Metropole: The Official Blog of the Urban History Association*, 23 September 2019, <https://themetropole.blog/2019/09/23/remembering-and-forgetting-in-torontos-ravines/>
- Co-author, "History and the Anthropocene Project," *The Otter*. 4 December 2018. <https://niche-canada.org/2018/12/04/history-and-the-anthropocene-project/>
- "Cracks in the Pavement." *The Otter*. 19 October 2017. <http://niche-canada.org/2017/10/19/cracks-in-the-pavement/>
- "Natural History for Historians?" *The Otter*. 28 March 2016. <http://niche-canada.org/2016/03/28/natural-history-for-historians/>
- "Lessons Learned from 18 Months of Trial-by-Fire Teaching." *The Otter*. 7 January 2015. <http://niche-canada.org/2015/01/07/lessons-learned-from-18-months-of-trial-by-fire-teaching/>
- "Behind the Book with Jennifer Bonnell." *UTP Blog*, 11 December 2014. <https://utorontopress.com/ca/blog/2014/12/11/behind-the-book-with-jennifer-l-bonnell/>
- "Highway to Nowhere: The Don Valley Parkway and the Development of Toronto's North-East." *The Otter*. 14 May 2014. <http://niche-canada.org/2014/05/14/highway-to-nowhere-the-don-valley-parkway-and-the-development-of-torontos-north-east/>
- "From the Archives to the Bee Yard." *The Otter*. 25 June 2012. <http://niche-canada.org/2012/06/25/from-the-archives-to-the-bee-yard/>
- "Thinking with Bees." *The Otter*. 13 February 2012. <http://niche-canada.org/2012/02/13/thinking-with-bees/>
- "Writing the Environmental History of Toronto's Don Valley Parkway." *The Otter*. 14 November 2011. <http://niche-canada.org/2011/11/14/writing-the-environmental-history-of-torontos-don-valley-parkway/>
- "Fruitful Collaborations: Libraries as Partners in Historical Research," *The Otter*. 18 April 2011. <http://niche-canada.org/2011/04/18/fruitful-collaborations-libraries-as-partners-in-historical-research/>
- "History from the Urban Fringe," Scholar's Profile, Network in Canadian History and Environment, 1 March 2011, <http://niche-canada.org/2011/03/01/history-from-the-urban-fringe/>
- "On Oral History and the Presence of the Past," *Teaching the Past: A Blog About Teaching History in Canada*. 22 February 2011. <http://thenhier.ca/en/content/oral-history-and-presence-past>
- "On Teaching History to Retirees," *Teaching the Past: A Blog About Teaching History in Canada*. 10 January 2011. <http://thenhier.ca/en/content/teaching-history-retirees0>

## Book Reviews:

- "Montreal, City of Water: An Environmental History, by Michèle Dagenais." *Canadian Historical Review* 100, no.3 (September 2019): 467-69.
- "Kensington Market: Collective Memory, Public History, and Toronto's Urban Landscape, by Na Li." *Ontario History* 108, No.2 (Autumn 2016): 270-72.
- "The Real Thing: The Natural History of Ian McTaggart Cowan, by Briony Penn; and *Ian McTaggart-Cowan: The Legacy of a Pioneering Biologist, Educator and Conservationist*, by Ronald D. Jakimchuk, R. Wayne Campbell, and Dennis A. Demarchi." *BC Studies* 191 (Autumn 2016).
- "The First Green Wave: Pollution Probe and the Origins of Environmental Activism in Ontario, by Ryan O'Connor." *Canadian Historical Review* 96, no.4 (December 2015): 629-32.
- "Wet Prairie: People, Land, and Water in Agricultural Manitoba, by Shannon Stunden Bower." *Histoire Sociale/Social History* 46, no.91 (May 2013): 223-225.
- "City Critters: Wildlife in the Urban Jungle, by Nicholas Read." *BC Studies* 177 (Spring 2013): 198-199.
- "Metropolitan Natures: Environmental Histories of Montreal, edited by Stéphane Castonguay and Michèle Dagenais." *Canadian Historical Review* 93, no.1 (March 2012): 138-140.
- "Waterlife, directed by Kevin McMahon." *H-Environment* April 2011.
- "The River Returns: An Environmental History of the Bow, by Christopher Armstrong, Matthew Evenden and H.V. Nelles." *Left History* 14, no.2 (Summer 2010): 98-100.
- "The Future City on the Inland Sea: A History of Imaginative Geographies of Lake Superior, by Eric D. Olmanson." *Environmental History* 15, no.3 (July 2010): 560-562, doi: 10.1093/envhis/emq078.
- "Method and Meaning in Canadian Environmental History, edited by Alan MacEachern and William J. Turkel; and *The Archive of Place: Environment and the Contested Past of the Chilcotin Plateau*, by William J. Turkel." *Canadian Historical Review* 90, no.4 (December 2009): 766-770.
- "Megaprojects (<http://megaprojects.fims.uwo.ca/>), by Joy Parr and Jon van der Veen." *Left History* 13, no.1 (Fall 2008): 191-93.

## Digital Projects

- *Don River Valley Historical Mapping Project*. Co-producer, with Marcel Fortin (University

of Toronto GIS and Map Librarian). <http://maps.library.utoronto.ca/dvhmp/>  
(copyright 2009; updated and relaunched 2017).

#### PEER REVIEWS:

- McGill-Queens University Press (2 book manuscripts, 2018, 2016).
- *Journal of Canadian Studies* (2 articles, 2017, 2013).
- Dundurn Press (1 book manuscript, 2017).
- University of Calgary Press (1 edited collection, 2015).
- *Journal of Urban Research* (1 article, 2015).
- *Local Environment* (1 article, 2013).
- *Ontario History* (1 article, 2013).
- *Urban History Review* (1 article, 2012).
- *Canadian Historical Review* (1 article, 2012).
- *BC Studies* (1 article, 2010).
- *Museum and Society* (1 article, 2008).

#### ADJUDICATION:

- Chair, Jean Fecteau Prize Committee, Canadian Historical Association, 2018-19.
- Locations Committee, American Society for Environmental History, 2017-20.
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Grant application reviewer, 2017.
- Ontario Early Researcher Awards. Applicant referee, August 2016.
- Heritage Toronto Public History Awards jury, annual competition, 2013-17.

#### APPOINTMENTS:

- Co-editor, *Papers in Canadian History and Environment*, Network in Canadian History and Environment (NiCHE), 2016 – .
- Board member, Avie Bennett Chair in Canadian History, 2018-.
- Board Member, Multicultural History Society of Ontario, 2018-.
- Co-Editor, Book Reviews, *The Otter*, NiCHE, 2017 – 2019.
- Editorial board member, *Urban History Review*, 2018-20.
- Editor, Book Reviews, *The Otter*, NiCHE, 2014 – 17.
- Executive Board Member, NiCHE, 2014 – 2019.
- Editorial board member, *The Otter*, NiCHE, 2014 – 2019.
- Chair, Strategic Planning Committee, NiCHE, 2011-13.
- Board member, The History Education Network, 2008-11.

#### FELLOWSHIPS:

- Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 2011-13.
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship. 2009.
- Canada Graduate Scholarship, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 2005-

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- Dean's Scholarship, University of Victoria, 1997-99.
- Graduate Fellowship, School of Environmental Studies, University of Victoria, 1997-98.

#### LECTURES, SEMINARS, AND TOURS IN SCHOLARLY VENUES (Invited):

- Dagenais, Maxime. Interview, "Catching up with Jennifer Bonnell," Wilson Institute Speaker Series, 31 July 2020, <https://thenewcanadianhistory.com/2020/07/31/catching-up-with-jennifer-bonnell/>
- Commentary on Colin M. Coates and Graeme Wynn, eds., *The Nature of Canada* (UBC Press, 2019), Glendon College, 21 November 2019.
- "Historical Perspectives on Urban Water: The "Don Problem" of the 1870s and 80s." Sustainability and Urban Water Symposium, Ryerson University, 2 April 2018.
- "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Graduate seminar in Environmental Design, Faculty of Environmental Studies, 18 January 2018; 15 September 2016.
- "History, Memory, and Place: Building Historical Consciousness of Environmental Change." *THEN [The History Education Network] and Beyond Symposium*, Vancouver, BC, 11 March 2016.
- "Modernization, Memory, and Environmental Change in Canadian Landscapes." New Frontiers Graduate History Conference, York University, 20 February 2016.
- "Reclaiming the Don: A History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Archives of Ontario, 2 December 2015.
- "What Can GIS Do for You?" Big History Symposium, L.R. Wilson Institute for Canadian History, McMaster University, 26 March 2015.
- "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Wilson Institute for Canadian History, McMaster University, 13 February 2014.
- "Urbanizing Nature/Naturalizing the City: The Lower Don River and Port Lands," Walking tour leader with City of Toronto Chief Curator Wayne Reeves. American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, Toronto, ON, April 5, 2013.
- "An Environmental History of an Urban Borderland: Toronto's Don River Valley, 1860-1930." University of Guelph, February 7, 2012.
- "Comments on Rivers and Public Memory." Invited lecture. *Confluences: A Workshop on Rivers, History and Memory*, Vancouver, BC, November 15, 2007.

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- "Sweet Predicaments: Writing a Honey Bee History," *Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History*. Toronto, ON, 8 November 2019.

- "Architects of Bloom: Beekeepers as Engineers of and Advocates for Urban Green Space," *Histories of Urban Knowledge*, Université de Montréal, 27-28 September 2019.
- With Audrey Pyée, "The Value of Public History Placements to Students' Learning and Professional Outcomes," in panel "Teaching Public History," *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Vancouver, BC, 4 June 2019.
- With Marcel Fortin, "The Spatial Turn," *Workshop on Quantitative Analysis and the Digital Turn in Historical Studies*, The Fields Institute, University of Toronto, 28 February 2019.
- "Making Public Historical-GIS: Crowd-Sourcing Toronto's Spatial History." With Marcel Fortin. Presentation to the American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, 31 March 2016.
- "Frederick Gardiner and the Construction of Toronto's Don Valley Parkway, 1958-1966." *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, St. Catherine's, ON, 26 May 2014.
- "The Valley and the Road: Building Toronto's Don Valley Parkway." *Society for American City and Regional Planning History Annual Meeting*, Toronto, ON, October 5, 2013.
- "Negotiating Protections for Honeybee Health in Ontario, 1880-1900." *American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting*, Toronto, ON, April 5, 2013.
- "Alternative Livelihoods on the Urban Fringe: Toronto Beekeepers and Suburbanization, 1950-1970," *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Waterloo, ON, May 28, 2012.
- "Foragers of a Modern Countryside: An Environmental History of Beekeeping in Twentieth-Century Ontario." Rural History Roundtable, Department of History, University of Guelph, 17 November 2012.
- "Toronto's Don River: A History of a Constructed Landscape." Canadian Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Waterloo, ON, June 2, 2012.
- "Archaic" Economies on the Urban Fringe: Toronto Beekeepers and Suburbanization, 1950-1970," *American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting*, Madison, Wisconsin, March 28-31, 2012.
- "An Environmental History of an Urban Borderland: Toronto's Don River Valley, 1860-1930," Rural History Roundtable, University of Guelph, November 30, 2011.
- "Socio-ecological changes in the nineteenth and twenty-first centuries: Toronto's Lower Don River." With Gene Desfor. Presented by Desfor at *World Congress of*

*Sociology*, International Sociological Association, Research Committee 21 (Urban and Regional), Gothenburg, Sweden, July 11-17, 2010.

- "Envisioning Watershed History: The Don Valley Historical Mapping Project." With Marcel Fortin. *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec, June 2, 2010.
- "A Sensuous Understanding of Place: Charles Sauriol and the Fight to Protect Toronto's Don River Valley, 1946-1989." *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Quebec, June 1, 2010.
- "Toronto's Lower Don River Valley: A Social History of a Marginalized Environment," *World Congress of Environmental History*, Copenhagen, DK, August 6, 2009.
- "Imagined Futures and Unintended Consequences: Toronto's Don River Improvement Project, 1880-1910," *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Ottawa, ON, May 26, 2009.
- "'An Objectionable Stream': Toronto's Lower Don River and the Construction of an Urban Waste Space, 1830-1912," *American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting*, Tallahassee, Florida, February 28, 2009.
- "Multimedia Presentation: Don River Historical GIS Mapping Project," With Marcel Fortin and Jordan Hale. *Active History: History for the Future*, Glendon College, York University, Toronto, Ontario, September 27 – 28, 2008.
- "Toronto's Underworld: The Don River Valley as a 'Repository for Undesirables,'" *Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting*, Vancouver, BC, June 3, 2008.
- "'An Honourable Innkeeper... or a Scamp?' Interpreting the Past at Montgomery's Inn. *Canadian History of Education Association (CHEA) and History of Education Society (HES) Joint Meeting*, Ottawa, Ontario, October 27, 2006.
- "Exploring Difficult Knowledge: Two Case Studies of Swedish Museum Pedagogy." With Roger I. Simon. Presented by Bonnell at *International Council of Museums of Ethnography (ICME) Annual Meeting*, Miami, Florida, July 11, 2006.
- "Difficult Knowledge, Intimacy and Museum Exhibitions: A Case Study of Kulturen's *Surviving: Voices from Ravensbrück*." With Roger I. Simon. Presented by Bonnell at *Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association Annual Meeting*, York University, Toronto, Ontario, June 2, 2006.
- "A Living History? Interpreting the Past at Montgomery's Inn," *McGill-Queen's Graduate Conference in History*, Montreal, Quebec, March 17, 2006.
- "Learning from Agincourt: An Oral History of a Diverse Community." With Madeleine Callaghan, *XIIIth International Oral History Association Conference*, Rome, Italy, June 24, 2004.

#### CONFERENCE ROUND-TABLE PRESENTATIONS

- "An Ongoing Conversation: Historical Inspirations for Urban Action," *American Society for Environmental History Annual Meeting*, Columbus, Ohio, 13 April 2019.
- The Past and Future of Environmental History, Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, Toronto ON, May 2017.
- The Past and Future of Canadian Nature, University of Calgary Press Congress Book Expo Event, June 2016.

#### CONFERENCE CHAIRING:

- Chair and organizer, "Conserving Canada: Practices of Subsistence and Principles of Wise Use," *150 Ideas that Shaped Canada*, York University, Toronto ON, 12-14 October 2017.
- Chair (invited), "The Dominion of Power: Rethinking Canadian History Through the Lens of Energy," Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, Toronto ON, May 2017.
- Co-Chair (invited), "Urban Political Authority (I): Regulating the Urban Environment." Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, Calgary AB, May 2016.

#### CONFERENCE PLANNING:

- Organizer, Melville-Nelles-Hoffman Environmental History Lecture, York University, Spring 2020.
- Co-organizer, "Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History," YorkU Department of History, Avie Bennett Historica Canada Chair in Canadian History, and the Archives of Ontario, 7-8 November 2019.
- Co-organizer, "Access and Inclusion in Historic House Museums," YorkU Department of History and City of Toronto Museums and Heritage Services, 8 November 2019.
- Organizer, Melville-Nelles-Hoffman Environmental History Lecture, York University, Fall 2018.
- Co-organizer, "Diversity in the Archives: York University Annual Public History Symposium," Department of History, York University, 28 September 2018.
- Organizer, "Bringing Indigenous History to the Public: York University Annual Public History Symposium," Department of History, York University, 12 October 2017.
- Co-organizer, "Gender and Indigenous Landscapes," NiCHE Canadian History and Environment Summer School, York University, 31 May-2 June 2017.
- Co-organizer, "Approaching Public History in a Globalized Toronto: York University Annual Public History Symposium," Department of History, York University, 30

September 2016.

- Co-organizer, "Suburbia and Environmental History," NiCHE Canadian History and Environment Summer School, York University, 23-25 May 2014.
- Co-organizer, "Bees to Beef: Farm(ed) Animals in Environmental History," NiCHE Canadian History and Environment Summer School, University of Guelph, 25-27 May 2012.
- Co-founder and organizer, *Approaching the Past* workshop series, The History Education Network (THEN/HiER.ca) and ActiveHistory.ca, 2010-2011.
- Co-organizer, Teaching History in Diverse Venues, The History Education Network, ActiveHistory.ca and the Association for Canadian Studies, November 2010.
- Co-organizer, Inaugural Workshop, The History Education Network (THEN/HiER.ca). Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto, 2006.

#### MEDIA APPEARANCES AND INTERVIEWS:

- Byers, Andrew. Interview for "What's the Buzz" Podcast, Atlantic Tech Transfer Team for Apiculture, 8 December 2020.
- Reeves, Andrew. "Making an Eyesore a Destination," on the history of the mouth of the Don, *Novea Res Urbis* (NRUpublishing.com), 19 June 2020, <https://www.nrupublishing.com/2020/06/19/making-an-eyesore-a-destination/>
- Mulligan, Kate. Interview on the role of the Don River in the history of public health in Toronto. Radio documentary, CIUT-FM, 12 June 2020.
- Goodchild, Hayley. "History can teach us important lessons about urban nature in an era of climate change." *Peterborough Examiner*, 12 December 2019, <https://www.thepeterboroughexaminer.com/living-story/9768934-greenup-plan-for-peterborough-s-future-learn-from-peterborough-s-past/>.
- Wilson, Harry. "Roy MacGregor on the Rivers that Shaped our Nation." *Canadian Geographic*, 17 November 2017. <https://www.canadiangeographic.ca/article/roy-macgregor-rivers-shaped-our-nation>
- MacGregor, Roy. *Original Highways: Travelling the Great Rivers of Canada*. (Toronto: Penguin Random House, 2017): interviewed for Chapter 3, pp.55-68.
- Daubs, Katie. "When the Don Valley Was Cottage Country." *The Toronto Star*, 4 September 2016. <https://www.thestar.com/news/insight/2016/09/04/when-the-don-valley-was-cottage-country.html>
- "Reclaiming the Don, From Dissertation to Book," episode 54, *Nature's Past* Podcast Series, 28 September 2016. <http://niche-canada.org/2016/09/28/natures-past-episode-54-reclaiming-the-don-from-dissertation-to-book/>
- MacGregor, Roy. "Bringing Toronto's Don River Back From the Dead." *The Globe and*

Mail, 12 August 2016. <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/toronto/bringing-the-torontos-don-river-back-from-the-dead/article31393048/>

- Andrew-Gee, Eric. "Practical Back Alley or Cottage Dock? Waterfront Debate Splits Toronto." *The Toronto Star*, 5 July 2015. <https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2015/07/05/back-alley-or-cottage-dock-decades-long-waterfront-debate-still-unsettled.html>
- Bonnell, Jennifer. "Bees are Harbingers of Environmental Change." Op-ed, *The Hamilton Spectator*, 3 July 2015. <https://www.thespec.com/opinion-story/5706504-bees-are-harbingers-of-environmental-change/>
- Bonnell, Jennifer. "A Moment for Council to Build the Waterfront Toronto Deserves." Op-ed, *Torontoist*, 29 May 2015. <http://torontoist.com/2015/05/remove-the-gardiner-to-build-the-waterfront-we-deserve/>
- Bodo, Alanna. "Review: *Reclaiming the Don*." *Alternatives Journal*, 10 March 2015. <http://www.alternativesjournal.ca/community/reviews/reclaiming-don>
- Forman, Gideon. "Review: *Reclaiming the Don*." *THIS Magazine*, March-April 2015, p.41.
- Andrew-Gee, Eric. "Overhaul of Don River Mouth Could Spur Port Lands Development." *The Toronto Star*, 16 November 2014. [https://www.thestar.com/business/2014/11/16/overhaul\\_of\\_don\\_river\\_mouth\\_could\\_spur\\_port\\_lands\\_development.html](https://www.thestar.com/business/2014/11/16/overhaul_of_don_river_mouth_could_spur_port_lands_development.html)
- Interview about *Reclaiming the Don* on CBC Radio One, *Here and Now*, 8 October 2014.
- Interview panelist at *Word on the Street* book festival, Toronto ON, 21 September 2014.
- Brosens, Mark. "How the Don River Defined Toronto." *The Inside Agenda Blog*, 14 August 2014. <https://tvo.org/blog/current-affairs/inside-agenda/how-the-don-river-defined-toronto>
- Greenfield, Samuel. "Toronto Art Duo Chart Out Don River's Historic Channel for Eco-Fest." *The Toronto Star*, 3 July 2014. [https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2014/07/03/toronto\\_art\\_duo\\_chart\\_out\\_don\\_rivers\\_historic\\_channel\\_for\\_ecofest.html](https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2014/07/03/toronto_art_duo_chart_out_don_rivers_historic_channel_for_ecofest.html)
- "Wildlife Histories," episode 27, *Nature's Past* Podcast Series. 24 January 2012, <http://niche-canada.org/node/10276>
- Merringer, Ian. "Don River's Gritty Past Stands it in Good Stead." *The Globe and Mail*, 15 July 2011, <https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/toronto/don-rivers-gritty-past-stands-it-in-good-stead/article587536/>
- Ford, Ray. "Death and Rebirth of the Don River," *Canadian Geographic*, 1 June 2011. <https://www.canadiangeographic.ca/article/death-and-rebirth-don-river>
- "The Environmental History of the Don River," episode 1, *Nature's Past* Podcast Series. 10 December 2008, <http://niche-canada.org/node/9255>.
- Bielski, Zosia. "A Separate Peace for City's Outcasts." *The National Post*. 28 June 2008.
- Gwilt, Alwynne. "The Don Gets a Thesis it Can't Refuse." *The Toronto Star*. 16 January

2007. [https://www.thestar.com/discard/2007/01/16/the\\_don\\_gets\\_a\\_thesis\\_it\\_cant\\_refuse.html](https://www.thestar.com/discard/2007/01/16/the_don_gets_a_thesis_it_cant_refuse.html)

## PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS

### Work with Government Organizations

- Consultant and PI, "A People's History of Wildlife Management in British Columbia," BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), July 2018 – 2021.
- Consultant re: commemoration initiatives, Resource Stewardship Division, BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. May 2018.
- Consultation with senior archivists re: representing environment in archival acquisitions, Archives of Ontario. 26 April 2018.
- Consultant, *Animals in the Archives* exhibition development, Archives of Ontario. 13 February 2018.
- Manuscript reviewer, History of Rouge Valley National Park, Parks Canada, October 2013.
- Consultant, *Family Ties* exhibition development, Archives of Ontario. 5 October 2015.

### Work with Private Sector

- Consultant, Historical Interpretation, ASI Archaeological Services, Summer 2018.

### Work with Not-for-Profit Organizations

- Consultant, Historical Interpretation, Black Creek Pioneer Village, 2017-present.
- Tour leader, "Mouse City Valley" youth urban planning program, Small Print Toronto and Evergreen Brick Works, April 2018.
- Consultant, Historical Plaques Development, Heritage Toronto, 2016.
- Board Member, Community Memories Project, Multicultural History Society of Ontario. 2007.

### Documentary Film, Video, and Television

- Interview subject and historical consultant, *Ports d'attach (Waterfront Cities) Toronto*, DBcom Media. April 2015. <http://ports.tv5.ca/>
- Interview subject, *Accidental Parklands: The Bounty and Burden of Toronto's Ravines and Waterways* (documentary TV series), Metal Dog Films, October 2014. [accidentalparkland.tv](http://accidentalparkland.tv)
- Interview subject and historical consultant for *Brick by Brick: The Story of the Evergreen*

*Brickworks*, Hungry Eyes Film and Television, 2011.

MEMBERSHIPS:

- American Society for Environmental History, 2006 – present.
- Canadian Committee on Women's History, 2007 – present.
- Canadian Historical Association, 2004 – present.
- Network in Canadian History and the Environment (NiCHE), 2006 – present.
- The History Education Network / Histoire et Éducation en Réseau, 2005 – 2018.
- Toronto Environmental History Group. Founding member, 2008 – 2018.

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TEACHING

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UNDERGRADUATE COURSES:

York University, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, Department of History

- Public History  
HIST4840 6.0, 2019-20 (16 students); 2018-19 (18 students); 2017-18 (17 students); 2016-17 (14 students); 2015-16 (18 students)
- Animal Histories: Historical Perspectives on Human-Animal Relationships  
HIST3895 3.0, 2018-19 (31 students)
- The Presence of the Past: Commemoration, Memorials, and Popular Uses of History  
HIST1040 6.0, 2017-18 (30 students); 2016-17 (32 students)
- History of Aboriginal Peoples in Canada  
HIST3546 6.0, 2015-16 (33 students)

McMaster University, Department of History

- Technology and Society II: Animals and Technology  
Arts and Science 3BB3 3.0, 2015 (34 students)
- Survey of Canadian History, 1885 to the Present  
History 2TT3 3.0, 2015 (90 students); 2014 (82 students); 2013 (33 students)
- Advanced Historical Inquiry: History and Public Memory in Canada  
History 3HI3 3.0, 2015 (18 students); 2014 (20 students).
- Modern Canadian History: Nature and Society in Modern Canada  
History 4CM3 3.0, 2014 (18 students); 2014 (12 students); 2013 (15 students)

- History Practicum  
History 3HP3 3.0, 2014 (10 students); 2013: 6 students.
- Canada in a World of Empires, 1492-1919  
History 3CW3 3.0, 2014 (31 students)
- Advanced Historical Inquiry: Animals in Human History  
History 3HI3 3.0, 2014 (18 students)

University of Guelph, Department of History

- Topics in Environment and Society: Animals in History  
History 3430 3.0, 2013 (18 students)
- Canadian Social History  
History 3660 3.0, 2012 (31 students)
- Topics in Environment and Society: Nature and the City in North America  
History 3430 3.0, 2012 (21 students)

GRADUATE TEACHING:

York University, Graduate Program in History

- Directed Reading in Public History, Ludia Seon Bae, Fall 2019.
- Nature and Society in the Industrial World: Global Environmental History Since Industrialization  
HIST5543 3.0, Winter 2020 (6 students); Winter 2019 (12 students); Winter 2018 (6 students)
- Doing History  
HIST5001 3.0, 1 seminar November 2019.
- Canadian History Field Course  
HIST6030 6.0, 2 seminars 2019-20; 2 seminars 2018-19; 2 seminars 2017-18; 1 seminar 2016-17

GRADUATE SUPERVISION:

York University, Graduate Program in History

- Cristina Wood, PhD supervisor, 2019-
- Ludia Bae, PhD co-supervisor, 2020-
- Carlos Haag, PhD committee member, 2020-
- Wendy Smith, PhD committee member, 2020-
- Esther Van't Veen, PhD committee member, 2020-
- Jesse Thistle, PhD committee member, 2019-
- Evelyn Hielkema, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, December 2019.
- Zach Syme, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, Fall 2019; PhD committee

- member, 2020-
- Jody Hodgins, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, 2019; PhD committee member, 2020-
- Irit Chemel, MRP Second Reader, 2019
- Alex Hughes, PhD Committee member, 2018-
- Al Corbiere, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, 2018; PhD Committee member, 2019.
- Morgan Ross, MRP Supervisor, 2018.
- Denise Dyba, MRP Second Reader, 2017
- Zachary Consitt, MRP Second Reader, 2016

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Course Director, "Historical Perspectives on the Great Lakes," Living and Learning in Retirement, Glendon College/York University, Fall 2010: 88 students.

## PUBLIC LECTURES AND TOURS (Invited)

- "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley." North York Central Library, 3 October 2019.
- "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Presentation to Yorkminster Park Church, Toronto ON, 25 May 2018.
- "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Presentation to Toronto Mensa, Toronto ON, 17 May 2018.
- "Exploring Environmental History at the Museum." Keynote presentation for City of Toronto Museums and Heritage Services, Volunteer Appreciation Event, Toronto ON, 26 November 2017.
- "The Great Lakes: Persistent Problems and Opportunities for Recovery." Presentation to Third Age Learning, Aurora ON, 15 May 2017.
- "Toronto's River Valleys: Environmental Heritage." Heritage Toronto: "Short Storeys Event," Toronto ON, 12 November 2016.
- "Meet the Researcher." Presentation to Grade 11 Geography students at Crescent School Toronto ON. 14 May 2015; 12 May 2016; 12 May 2017.
- "Researching River History." Presentation to grade 8 students, the Study Academy, Toronto ON, 6 May 2016.
- "Reclaiming the Don: A History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Royal Ontario Museum ROM Walkers Group, Toronto ON, 24 April 2016.
- "Reclaiming the Don: A History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Durham Lifelong Learning, Whitby, Ontario. 10 November 2015.
- "Reclaiming the Don: A History of Toronto's Don River Valley." Riverdale Historical Society,

Toronto ON, 27 October 2015.

- "Imagined Futures for the Lower Don River: A History of Big Ideas for a Little River." Riverdale Library, Toronto ON, 25 June 2015.
- Tour leader, "The Don Valley: A Bicycle Tour from Todmorden Mills to Lake Ontario," Heritage Toronto, 2014, 2015.
- Tour Leader, walking tour of Don Valley, No. 9 Contemporary Art & Environment, 2014.
- "Imagined Futures for the Lower Don: A History of Big Ideas for a Small River," Toronto Public Library, October 12, 2011.
- "Isolating Undesirables: Prisons, Pollution and Homelessness in the Don River Valley, 1860-1932." Toronto Public Library, October 14, 2010.
- "Improving the Don River, from 1880 to the present." University Women's Club of Toronto, May 13, 2010.
- "Toronto's Underworld: The Don River Valley as a 'Repository for Undesirables.'" East York Historical Society, March 30, 2010.
- "An Environmental History of the Don River." No.9 Contemporary Art & the Environment Symposium, Toronto, Ontario, June 26, 2008.
- "Gangsters, Dreamers, and Engineers: 200 Years of Drama on the Lower Don River." Public walking tour, *Jane's Walk*, May 3, 2008.
- "Tracing the Social and Environmental History of the Don River." City of Toronto Archives, Toronto, Ontario, April 7, 2008.

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## SERVICE

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### UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department of History, Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, York University

- Chair, Global Public History Search Committee, December 2019- April 2020
- Co-organizer, York University Annual Public History Symposium, in collaboration with the City of Toronto Museums and Heritage Services, 8 November 2019.
- Organizer, York University Annual Public History Symposium, in collaboration with the Archives of Ontario, 28 Sept 2018; 12 Oct 2017; 30 Sept 2016.
- Founder and organizer, YorkU Student Public History Conference, in collaboration with the Archives of Ontario. 3 April 2019; 5 April 2017; 4 April 2016.
- Public History Coordinator, 2019-20; 2018-19; 2017-18; 2016-17; 2015-16
- MA Applicants Adjudication Committee, 2018-19
- Representative to Faculty Council, 2018-19
- Search committee, US Black History Search, 2017-18

- History Executive Committee, 2017-18
- Research Ethics Committee, 2017-18
- Teaching and service assessor, Tenure & Promotion File Preparation Committee, 2017
- Chair, Public History Committee, 2018-19; 2017-18; 2016-17
- Adjudicating Committee, Tenure & Promotion, 2016-17

#### Graduate Program in History, York University

- Chair, Dissertation Defense, October 2017
- Graduate Program Executive Committee, 2016-17

#### Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies

- Banting Postdoctoral Fellowships Internal Review & Selection Committee, Summer 2018

#### Faculty of Graduate Studies

- Petitions Committee, Faculty of Graduate Studies, 2018-19, 2017-18, 2018-19

#### York University

- Executive Committee, Robarts Centre for Canadian Studies, 2017-2018.