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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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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, July 2020 – May 2023 [extended due to COVID].

MINOR GRANTS (York University):

* VPRI Small Research Grant, $4913, December 2022
* LA&PS Seed Grant, Changing the Narrative project, $5000, June 2022
* LA&PS Experiential Education Development Fund: Stream 1, $780, January 2023; $300, November 2022
* LA&PS Experiential Education Development Fund: Stream 1, $300, November 2021
* 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,

July 2020-present.

* “Foragers of a Modern Countryside: Honey Bees, Agricultural Modernization, and

Environmental Change in the Great Lakes Region,” Book proposal accepted by

University of Washington Press (Weyerhaueser Environmental Books Series), May

2021 (manuscript deadline August 2023).

* 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 – June 2022.

* 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

In press:

* *Stewards of Splendour: A History of Wildlife and People in British Columbia.* Submitted June 2022. Forthcoming with the Royal British Columbia Museum publication division, September 2023.

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.

Under development:

* *Foragers of a Modern Countryside: Honey Bees, Agricultural Modernization, and Environmental Change in the Great Lakes Region*. To be submitted to the University of Washington Press (Weyerhaueser Environmental Books Series) in August 2023.

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:

* *Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History*. Editor, with Sean

Kheraj. University of Calgary Press, 2022.

* *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): 79-101,

<https://doi.org/10.1093/envhis/emaa059>

* “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/museumsociety.html>.

Journal Articles (Non-Refereed):

* Jennifer Bonnell and Sean Kheraj, “Urban Environmental History in Anglophone Canada: Omissions and Opportunities,” Special Issue: 50 Years of Canadian Urban History, *Urban History Review* 50, no.1-2 (September 2022): 45-52.

Book Chapters (Refereed):

* “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* (University of Calgary Press, 2022).
* with Sean Kheraj, “Introduction,” *Traces of the Animal Past: Methods and Sources in Animal History* (University of Calgary Press, 2022).
* “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/](http://niche-canada.org/2011/11/14/writing-the-%09environmental-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/](http://niche-canada.org/2011/04/18/fruitful-collaborations-libraries-%09as-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/](http://niche-canada.org/2011/03/01/history-from-%09the-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](http://thenhier.ca/en/content/oral-%09history-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 (3 book manuscripts, 2023, 2018, 2016).
* *Historical Methods* (1 article, 2023)
* *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:

* Haig-Brown House Writer-in-Residence. Application referee, March 2023.
* Guggenheim Foundation. Application referee, November 2022.
* Jackman Humanities Institute, University of Toronto. Applicant referee, October 2022.
* 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 – present.

* Editorial board member, *Urban History Review*, 2023-2028.
* Editorial board member, *Historical Methods*, 2019-2022.
* Board member, Avie Bennett Chair in Canadian History, 2018 - present.
* Board Member, Multicultural History Society of Ontario, 2018 - present.
* Co-Editor, Book Reviews, *The Otter*, NiCHE, 2017 – 2019.
* 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, 2005-08.
* 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

* “Early Insecticide Controversies and Beekeeper Advocacy in the Great Lakes Region,”

presentation to the American Society for Environmental History, Eugene OR

[virtual presentation], 27 March 2022.

* “Early Insecticide Controversies and Beekeeper Advocacy in the Great Lakes Region,”

presentation to the Centre for Bee Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation, York University, 1 October 2021.

* “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:

* Program Committee, Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting, York University,

June 2023.

* Co-organizer, Melville-Nelles-Hoffman Environmental History Lecture, York University,

Winter 2021.

* 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, Spring

2020; 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:

* Kheraj, Sean. "Methodological Challenges in Animal History: Roundtable Discussion,"

episode 76, *Nature's Past* Podcast Series. 28 November 2022.

* McClearn, Matthew. Interview for “Toronto’s Natural Drainage Systems, Its Ravines, Get a

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Toronto. Radio documentary, CIUT-FM, 12 June 2020.

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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 – 2022.

* 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.

[accidental parkland.tv](http://accidentalparkland.us10.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=1174a342fea1dc462656a5c2b&id=e8945c7f76&e=5f0b2a4487)

* 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

* Canadian History

HIST2500 6.0 (co-teaching with K. McPherson), 2022-23 (66 students)

* Public History

HIST4840 6.0, 2022-23 (18 students); 2021-22 (16 students); 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, Fall 2021 (15 students); Fall 2018 (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 2023 (7 students), Winter 2022 (13 students); 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, 1 seminar 2021-22; 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-
  + Gary Myers, PhD Committee member, 2023-
  + Jennifer Bolton, PhD Committee member, 2023-
  + Ludia Bae, PhD co-supervisor, 2020-
  + Alex Hughes, PhD Committee member, 2018-2022 (completed).
  + Gary Myers, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, Fall 2022
  + John Pittman, MRP Second Reader, September 2021.
  + Michael Conte, MRP Supervisor, 2020-2021.
  + Brian Moore, MRP Supervisor, 2021-[withdrawn]
  + Jennifer Bolton, PhD committee member, 2021-
  + 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 committee member, 2020- ; PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, December 2019.
  + Zach Syme, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, Fall 2019; PhD committee member, 2020-22 (withdrawn).
  + Jody Hodgins, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, 2019; PhD committee member, 2020-
  + Irit Chemel, MRP Second Reader, 2019 (completed).
  + Al Corbiere, PhD Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, 2018; PhD Committee member, 2019 (completed).
  + Morgan Ross, MRP Supervisor, 2018 (withdrawn)
  + Denise Dyba, MRP Second Reader, 2017 (completed)
  + Zachary Consitt, MRP Second Reader, 2016 (completed)

York University, Other Programs

* Johannes Chan, PhD Committee Member June 2022 - ; Comprehensive Exams Co-examiner, Fall 2022

GRADUATE ADJUDICATION

* External Examiner, M.A. Thesis Oral Examination, Political Science, August 2022
* Internal member, Dissertation Oral Exam for Victoria Joy MacPhail, “Assessing the Benefits, Challenges and Scientific Value of Community Science Programs: A Case Study Using Bumble Bee Watch,” Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change, York University, 5 October 2021.

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)

* Commentator, “Yet you dream in the green of your time,” book lunch and discussion,

hosted by Pumice Raft artists’ collective, Evergreen Brick Works, 27 August

2022.

* “Insecticide Controversies and Beekeeper Advocacy in the Great Lakes Region, 1880-

1900,” Dufferin County Beekeeper Association monthly meeting, 15 February

2022.

* “Insecticide Controversies and Beekeeper Advocacy in the Great Lakes Region, 1880-

1900,” Ontario Beekeepers’ Association Annual General Meeting (virtual event),

20 November 2021.

* “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

* Research Ethics Committee, 2022-23
* Research Release Program Committee, Fall 2022
* Search committee, African Canadian History Search, 2021-22
* Chair, Global Public History Search Committee, December 2019- April 2020
  + History Executive Committee, 2021-22; 2017-18; 2021-22
  + Public History Coordinator, 2022-23; 2021-22; 2019-20; 2018-19; 2017-18; 2016-17; 2015-16
* 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. 6 April 2022; 3 April 2019; 5 April 2017; 4 April 2016.
  + Representative to Faculty Council, 2018-19
  + Search committee, US Black History Search, 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

History Program, Glendon College

* Teaching assessor, Tenure & Promotion File Preparation Committee, 2022
* Teaching and service assessor, Tenure & Promotion File Preparation Committee, 2022

Graduate Program in History, York University

* + Ramsay Cook Award Committee, April 2022
  + PhD Applicants Adjudication Committee, 2021-22
  + MA Applicants Adjudication Committee, 2018-19
  + 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 Environment and Urban Change

* Internal Member, Dissertation Oral Exam, October 2021

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.