



# UBC

# Association of Professors Emeriti

## GENERAL MEETING:

Wednesday, February 7

Robert H. Lee Alumni Centre  
6163 University Boulevard

(partners and guests are welcome)

### Agenda

1:00 pm Coffee, cookies and conversation

1:50 pm Business meeting

2:00 pm

***Free Expression and a Respectful Environment:  
Are These Objectives Compatible at a 21st Century University?***

*Paul Marantz, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, will chair a presentation by three UBC experts: Neil Guppy, Sally Thorne, and Paul Russell*

Many universities are grappling with the vexing challenge of combining the robust protection of free speech with the fostering of a respectful environment for learning and work. The stakes are high, and much damage can result when matters go awry, as was recently the case at Dalhousie and Wilfred Laurier University. At UBC, a Working Group, led by Professor Neil Guppy, has spent many months drafting an authoritative statement for the University. An initial draft was released in early November. Not surprisingly, it provoked much discussion and some strong criticism. If the protection of free speech means allowing all speech that is legal, including speech that some find offensive or hurtful, and the promotion of a respectful environment means eliminating speech that some find offensive or hurtful, how can these conflicting objectives be reconciled at a world-class 21st Century university? The three distinguished members of our panel, who have given much thought to these issues, will discuss their perspectives on how UBC can best protect free expression while fostering a respectful environment.



**Neil Guppy**, Professor of Sociology, has been a Department Head, Associate Dean (Students), and Associate Vice President (Academic Programs). Currently he is the Senior Advisor (to the Provost) on Academic Freedom, and the Acting Principal of Vantage College.



**Sally Thorne** is a Professor in the School of Nursing, and Associate Dean, Faculty Affairs, in the Faculty of Applied Science. She is a member of the President's Working Group on Freedom of Expression, involved in the drafting of the Draft Statement.



**Paul Russell**, Professor of Philosophy at UBC, is also a Professor at Lund University, where he is Director of the Lund/Gothenburg Responsibility Project. Among many other honours, he was awarded the UBC Killam Teaching Prize and the UBC Killam Faculty Research Prize.

*For additional information, including a link to UBC's Draft Statement, see p.3.*

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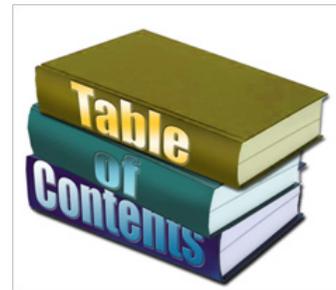
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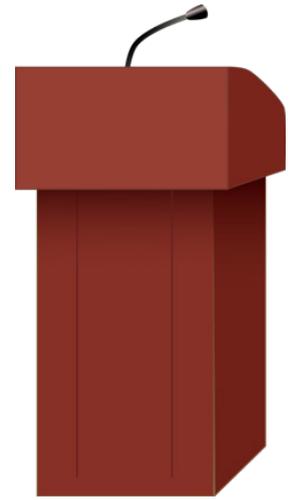
## Association News

### Further Information Relevant to the General Meeting Discussion of Free Expression on February 7

The UBC "Freedom of Expression Statement Draft" of November 8, 2017, may be found at <https://academic.ubc.ca/freedom-of-expression-statement>. This web site also provides access to invited commentaries on the Statement Draft by nine members of the UBC community as well as more than 180 submissions that were made to the Working Group in response to the Statement Draft.

The UBC Calendar contains current policy statements on "Academic Freedom & Responsibility" ([http://bog.ubc.ca/?page\\_id=10662](http://bog.ubc.ca/?page_id=10662)) and a "Respectful Environment" (<https://www.hr.ubc.ca/respectful-environment/files/UBC-Respectful-Environment-Statement.pdf>).

The highly influential "Report of the Committee on Freedom of Expression" at the University of Chicago, which provides a basis for the so-called "Chicago Principles" that have been officially endorsed by more than 30 American Universities, is at <https://provost.uchicago.edu/sites/default/files/documents/reports/FOECommitteeReport.pdf>.



### November General Meeting



A large audience in the Alumni Centre enjoyed a "mid-term assessment" of the Trudeau Liberal government by four UBC experts on aboriginal issues (**Sheryl Lightfoot**), the economy (**Angela Redish**), the environment (**Kathryn Harrison**), and governance (**Gerald Baier**). Professor Emeritus **Ken Carty** (Political Science) organized the panel and did an excellent job as moderator.

For those keeping score, it appears that the government earned its best "marks" on the economy and its lowest marks on aboriginal issues, with middling grades on governance (especially with respect to transparency) and the environment. On the

aboriginal "file", an "incomplete" is probably a fairer assessment—the government promised to take major initiatives, but many of these are still underway.



*Angela Redish  
Economics*



*Kathryn Harrison  
Political Science*



*Sheryl Lightfoot  
Political Science*



*Gerald Baier  
Political Science*

## NEW INITIATIVE BY UBCAPE

### President's Award for Distinguished Service by UBC Emeriti

***The following award was formally approved by the UBC Senate 17 January 2018:***

"One or more awards of \$1,000 are offered annually by the UBC Association of Professors Emeriti to UBC Emeriti who have, since attaining UBC Emeritus status, displayed exceptional leadership or initiative in volunteer community service that benefits others in Canada or abroad. It is anticipated that the recipient(s) will direct the Award to an organization, charity, or fund of their choosing. Nominations for the Award may be made by any person directly to the Provost's Office through the online nominations form [<https://www.emeriti.ubc.ca/presidents-award-UBC-emeriti>]. Nominations for the Award will be adjudicated by the Vice Provost's Office, UBC."

This new award recognizes the important voluntary and community contributions that UBC Emeriti are making to the world and society. It marks the first program to be funded through the accumulation of charitable donations to UBCAPE, which are managed by UBC Development. At present, only UBC Emeriti (that is, Senate appointed) are eligible for nomination. Because UBCAPE is funding the award, the office of the Vice Provost will manage the submissions, conduct the adjudication and assist with the publicity. That office has also kindly offered to assist nominators with processing submissions (uploading documents, etc.).

President Ono will present the \$1000 award at the March 21st 2018 General Meeting of UBCAPE, details to follow.

For more information, please contact UBCAPE Administrator, Sandra van Ark, at: [admin@emeriti.ubc.ca](mailto:admin@emeriti.ubc.ca), 604-822-1752.

***Nomination deadline 15 February 2018***

### President's Reception for New Emeriti

On November 20 President Santa Ono welcomed newly appointed UBC Emeriti and other guests to a reception at Norman Mackenzie House. In a short speech to the gathering he emphasized the importance of Emeriti to the University and once again endorsed the proposal to create a UBC Emeritus College.



*New emerita Joanne Archibald (Educational Studies) and Barbara Bernhardt (Audiology & Speech Sciences)*



*President Ono in conversation with new emeritus Peter Nemetz (Sauder School)*



## Update on Extended Health and Travel Insurance

Members of UBCAPE should be aware that they now have several options for Extended Health and/or Travel Insurance. These include

- o the UBC/Sun Life RSB Extended Health Care Plan
- o the MEDOC Travel Insurance Plan
- o the Johnson EHC and Prestige Travel Plan
- o the RTO Extended Health Care Plan

Many individuals combine the UBC/Sun Life insurance with one of the other options. The UBC insurance is especially valuable, since it contains no annual limit on drug coverage (other than the \$200,000 lifetime limit), while the other insurance options provide significantly higher limits for out-of-province medical expenses. The Johnson and RTO insurance also provide enhanced in-province extended health benefits that complement and expand the coverage of the UBC/Sun Life insurance.

The UBCAPE report, "Choosing Extended Health and Travel Insurance to Meet Your Specific Needs," has been written to assist people in better understanding their insurance options. It may be found at <https://www.emeriti.ubc.ca/benefits>. This Report, which was last updated in early 2017, is currently being revised to include a discussion of the RTO insurance. In the meantime, information on the RTO insurance is contained in the article "New Extended Health/Travel Insurance Now Available," which is also at <https://www.emeriti.ubc.ca/benefits>.

It should be noted that surviving spouses of deceased UBC emeriti are eligible for continued insurance coverage. Details can be obtained from each of the insurance providers.

The current enrolment of UBC emeriti in these insurance programs is

UBC/Sun Life RSB EHC Plan: 707 members (with Single, Couple, or Family coverage)

MEDOC Travel Insurance Plan: 346 policies in force (includes dependents)

Johnson EHC Plan: 295 policies in force (includes dependents).

(Note: We do not yet know the number of UBC Emeriti with the RTO insurance.)

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*UBCAPE Benefits Committee*



### Reimbursement for Continuing Scholarly Activities

The President's Office has again allocated \$100,000 to assist with emeritus research activities. Remember to save your receipts for research expenses incurred during the 2017-2018 academic year. More information is available at: <https://www.emeriti.ubc.ca/subsidy2018>

If you have questions, please contact UBCAPE Administrator, Sandra van Ark, [admin@emeriti.ubc.ca](mailto:admin@emeriti.ubc.ca).

## Recognizing Order of Canada Recipients November 29



On November 29, 2017, UBC hosted a gathering of 120 Companions, Officers and Members of the Order of Canada (OCs) who live in British Columbia; at the same time, 250 grade 10-12 high school students from the Lower Mainland were given the opportunity to meet individual OCs at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts. There were ten events during this packed twelve-hour day from 9 am-9 pm. Because this report is prepared for the UBCAPE, all names in bold are UBC Professors Emeriti, all of whom are OCs.

The original impetus for this event was provided by the then Governor General of Canada, David Johnston, who, on November 18, 2014, challenged the regions of Canada to plan celebrations of the 50th Anniversary of the Order of Canada in addition to announcing that a national celebration was planned for 2017 in Ottawa. The then UBC Acting Vice-President for Research, Helen Burt, and subsequently our new UBC President, Santa Ono, approved the idea and set in motion an ambitious plan. The event unfolded as follows:

- (1) Formal welcomes from the Musqueam Nation and from UBC to the OCs and high school students
- (2) inspirational lectures by Prof. Jaymie Matthews and Carole Taylor
- (3) OC-high school student interactions. Twelve students were hosted by individual OCs and three larger groupings of 60-90 students were addressed by panels of 2-4 OCs: **Sid Katz, John Gilbert, Bill New, Julie Cruikshank, John Helliwell**, Dr. Jennifer Allen Simons, Sir John Daniel, **Ken Craig, Prof. Max Cynader, David Dolphin, Judy Hall**, Prof. Bob Hancock, Nancy Hermiston, Prof. Julio Montaner, **Martha Salcudean, Olav Slaymaker** were the hosts.
- (4) Lunch at Cecil Green Park House for OCs
- (5) Workshop A: *Celebrating Diversity*. Seven OC panelists were moderated by Duncan McCue at Green College. The panelists were **Sherrill Grace**, James Cheng, Miles Richardson, Peter Newbury, Lalita Malhotra, Cynthia Lam and Bonnie Klein.
- (6) Workshop B: *Celebrating Innovation*. Seven OC panelists were moderated by Prof. Jennifer Gardy at Green College. The panelists were Prof. Emeritus University of Victoria Chris Barnes, Prof. Bob Hancock, **Judy Hall**, Anne Giardini (Chancellor of Simon Fraser University), and Prof. Julio Montaner.
- (7) Private reception for OCs, hosted by UBC President, Prof. Santa Ono, at Sage Bistro, Leon and Thea Koerner University Centre
- (8) Formal welcomes from the Musqueam Nation and from UBC President to the public
- (9) *Building a Better Canada*: a public event at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts: The panelists and performers were Prof. Wade Davis, Trevor Linden, Shelagh Rogers (Chancellor of the University of Victoria), **Robert Silverman**, Sophie Pierre and **David Suzuki**, who shared their unique visions for building a better Canada. CBC Radio host Duncan McCue of Cross Country Checkup was the Moderator.
- (10) A final reception for the public and an evening concert.

Membership of the committee, which worked on and off for three years on this project, included the following emeriti/ae, all Companions, Officers or Members of the Order of Canada: **Ron Clowes**, Geophysics; **Ken Craig**, Psychology; **Julie Cruikshank**, Anthropology; **David Dolphin**, Chemistry; **John Gilbert**, Health Disciplines; **Sherrill Grace**, English; **Judy Hall**, Pediatrics and Clinical Genetics; **Sid Katz**, Pharmaceutical Sciences; **Bill New**, English; **Martha Salcudean**, Mechanical Engineering; and **Olav Slaymaker**, Geography (Chair).

— Olav Slaymaker, CM

## UBCAPE ACTIVITY GROUPS

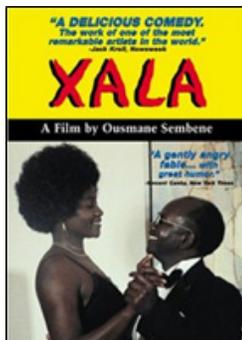
### UBCAPE Film Series for Spring 2018 Series Five – Comedy & Social Critique

Series Five: While comedy's generic conventions can be extremely rigid and thus even more reinforcing of status quo values, favouring entrenched elites at the expense of those on the margins, this genre's focus on humour can also encourage an acceptance of diversity and change. On the one hand, comedy tends to insist on managing new impulses within the established order, but it also can gently (or harshly) suggest a radical transformation of that order. Whether dealing with romance, family or social relationships, or friendship, comedy can point towards a better future, even though its generally upbeat tone can also make us complacent.



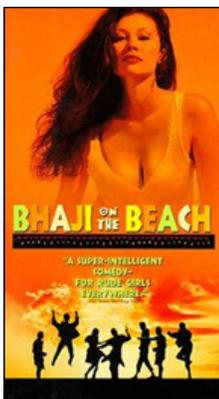
**Jan. 23** - *The Miracle of Morgan's Creek* (1944) by Preston Sturges offers a romantic comedy and, more specifically, a home-front romantic comedy set in and made during WWII. Such comedies deal with the anxiety around young women marrying soldiers just before they leave for the front, creating the possibility of socially dreaded widowed mothers. Sturges, the most intelligent of mid-century comedy directors, ingeniously combines his home-front romantic comedy with a nativity story (the miracle referred to in the title) and upends romantic comedy's focus on the couple with an emphasis on multiplicity.

Location: Orchard Commons, room 3016, 6363 Agronomy Road



**Feb. 27** – *Xala* (1974) by Ousmane Sembene, taking place in Senegal during the removal of French control, harshly satirizes independence as corrupted by fetishistic neo-colonial materialisms and patriarchy. Remotivating the traditional African griot folktale from praise to social critique, the film calls for a productive mixing of African and Euro-American, rural and urban, and “primitive” and “civilized” elements, employing a Third Cinema “aesthetics of hunger” allied with a Brechtian offering of characters as types that we must analyze intellectually instead of identify with, yet culminating in what is perhaps the most astonishing ending in cinema history.

Location: Bill and Risa Levine Classroom. 222, Alumni Centre, 6163 University Blvd



**Mar. 27** – *Bhaji on the Beach* (1994) by Gurinder Chada uses comedy to challenge the limiting of diasporic Indian women to narrow identities within a fantasized Indian past and to the private realm of family. It features a range of Britain-based Indian women from the ages of 16 to 60 on an outing to the working class resort of Blackpool. Exposing the racism and sexism that marginalizes the women, the film examines issues such as arranged marriages, miscegenation, and restrictions on female sexuality, emphasizing the need for a hybrid identity where home is no longer the country of origin by an imagined community appropriating elements from both old and new cultures.

Location: Orchard Commons, room 3016, 6363 Agronomy Road

*Screenings begin at 2:00 pm*

*Presented by John LeBlanc*

*A brief introduction to the film will precede each screening*

*A brief discussion of the film will follow each screening*

## Financial Interest Group



**John Fleming** will be discussing *"How to Create the Biggest Impact with Your Charitable Giving"*.

John is Associate Director, Gift & Estate Planning, UBC. In his role at UBC, he assists donors in matching their philanthropic intentions with the multitude of opportunities on the UBC campuses, including complex gifts, gifts of securities and estate planning, allowing donors to meet their philanthropic goals in the most tax-effective way. His talk will be of interest to individuals who would like to learn more about charitable giving, whether to UBC or another charity or both.

All emeriti and partners are welcome.

**When:** Wednesday, January 31 at 3pm

**Where:** room 222 at the Alumni Centre, 6163 University Blvd.

## Travel Group



Don and Lorna Blake presented *A Taste of the Basque Country* on November 16, sharing their experiences of a trip to northern Spain in June 2017. The January meeting featured accounts of two different cruises in northern latitudes. Stephen and Sirka Tredwell took us via Viking Cruises from Stockholm to Helsinki, St. Petersburg and back via Estonia, Poland, Germany, and Denmark before disembarking in Oslo. Carolyn and John Gilbert's cruise on a Hurtigruten ship began in Bergen and headed north, exploring some of Norway's fjords on both sides of the Arctic Circle, finishing up at Kirkenes, only a few kilometers from the Russian Border.

The next meetings are scheduled for February 15, March 15, and April 19. The meetings will be in the afternoon, and the time, location, and topic will be confirmed before each meeting. All emeriti and partners are welcome. If you have a topic or travel experience you would like to discuss or present, please contact **Richard Spencer**, [richard@rhspencer.ca](mailto:richard@rhspencer.ca). Also, please contact Richard to be added to the email list for this group.

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## Photography Group

The Photography Group is looking forward to another interesting year sharing photographs, picture-taking techniques, and post-production tips. The next meeting is February 9 at 3:30 pm in Angus 292.

The group welcomes new members. To get on the mailing list for meeting announcements, please contact Derek Applegarth: [derekjenny@shaw.ca](mailto:derekjenny@shaw.ca).



## When does your passport REALLY expire? Or—A Lesson Learned the Hard Way

As we set out for a much-anticipated trip to Venice, John checked in, and then it was my turn. The agent looked at my ticket, looked at my passport, looked at my ticket, looked at my passport, looked at me, and said: "I'm sorry, but I can't give you a boarding pass." My passport expiration date was less than three months away. My heart sank; I had forfeited our trip and a lot of money. And I felt stupid. I had had a vague thought that this might be an issue, which I quickly dismissed because it was inconvenient. Fortunately, help was at hand. An Air Canada concierge told us there had been many similar incidents, she would rebook our flight for the next day, and I would most likely be able to get a new passport in the intervening 24 hours. I spent the afternoon having photos taken and applying for a new passport on an "urgent" basis in the Richmond Canada Services Office. All staff were friendly and helpful, and I was told to pick up my new passport the next day at 10:00 a.m. It was ready by 10:30, which allowed us to get to the airport to check in by 11:30. Our trip was on again, though we had to pay for an unused night at our hotel and missed the New Year's concert at La Fenice, which we had been looking forward to.

To enter Eurozone countries, your passport must be valid for at least three months. For many other countries, it must be six months. The moral of the story is that, when you make a plan to travel abroad, you should check the expiry date on your passport. That date is really just a reference point from which to count backwards to make sure you have enough time left to meet that destination's requirements. Happy travels.

—Submitted by a somewhat embarrassed Carolyn Gilbert

## Association Speakers' Series

### Philosophers' Café

**Friday, February 23:** *Bridging the Generation Gap*

We hear more and more in the news about the generation gap between “baby boomers” (seniors) and “millennials” (the young). Baby boomers are sitting on huge amounts of assets in real estate, while millennials can't afford to live in Vancouver/London/Sydney. Baby boomers won't retire and allow millennials to step into their jobs. Baby boomers voted “Leave” in Brexit, for Trump in the US; millennials voted for “Remain” and Bernie Sanders. Baby boomers and millennials clash in the workplace because they have very different attitudes to employment. What's in a name? How do generations get characterized and named? What can be done to bridge the gap?



*All Cafés are in the Tapestry classroom, 3338 Wesbrook Mall, starting at 10:30 am. After the Café join us for lunch at Tapestry by calling 604-225-5000 or by checking in with the front desk before the Café to reserve a spot.*

## Green College Senior Scholars' Series

**February 6:** *Beverley Green, Botany*

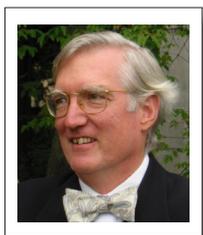
### **HARVESTING LIGHT AND CHASING GENES: A WINDING PATH THROUGH THE LANDSCAPE OF MODERN BIOLOGY**



The first molecular biologist to be appointed in the UBC Botany Department, Beverley Green seized the chance to pursue her interest in photosynthesis, the process by which light energy is converted into chemical energy and sustains all living organisms. Discovering the major role played in that process by families of related proteins led her to her second major theme: understanding how genes and metabolic pathways evolve and acquire novel functions. In this talk she will retrace some of her scientific journey, touching on the role of chance and the importance of not sticking to a single narrow path if one wants to have an interesting and productive career.

**April 3:** *Evan Kreider, Music*

### **LARGO, MA NON TROPPO? TEMPI OF A CAREER IN MUSIC**



Barely had Evan Kreider begun to settle into what he mistook for academic tranquility at UBC when he was overtaken by rumours that his beloved field of Renaissance musicology was undergoing a revolution. Used to scores being engraved onto copper sheets by aging craftsmen in rural Italy, he was soon startled to learn he was required to produce them himself by computer software that was not quite up to the challenge. And then, just as he was beginning to dream again of a stable academic life (now as a full professor), he was yanked into the dark side of the academy—administration—and a role for which no seminar could ever have prepared him. Meanwhile, the music of another administrator, Hildegard von Bingen, who ran a Benedictine monastery in the twelfth century, was becoming all the rage through recordings. But would she, if she could hear them, have even recognized the sounds? This talk for the Senior Scholars' Series is cross-listed for the Green College series on Transforming Sounds / Altered Selves: How Music Changes in Time, Changes Us, and Changes Our Worlds.

All talks begin at 5:00 pm in the Green College Coachhouse. For more information: [www.green-college.ubc.ca](http://www.green-college.ubc.ca) or [GC.events@ubc.ca](mailto:GC.events@ubc.ca)

*Come at 4:30 for tea and coffee in the Green College Piano Room and stay for refreshments after the talks. To stay for dinner, tickets can be purchased through the Green College Office—604-822-8660.*

## Previous Green College Talks in 2017-18

The Green College "Senior Scholar Series" is one of the most popular initiatives of UBCAPE. Co-sponsored with Green College, the series invites distinguished UBC Emeriti to share their career experiences with a general audience, especially graduate students residing at the College.

The three most recent talks are described below. If you were in the audience, you will enjoy the memory. If you weren't, you will wish you had been there.

November 7, 2017

### **Bernie Shizgal:** *A Career of Scientific Discovery in Chemical Physics, Mathematics and Space Science*



Professor Emeritus of Chemistry **Bernie Shizgal's** multidisciplinary research work has been based on the kinetic theory of gases, applied to chemical reactions and later to the escape of planetary atmospheres and space science. This has led to collaborations with space scientists at NASA (Pioneer Venus), at ISAS (Japan) and at the University of Calgary (ePOP terrestrial satellite). Particular mathematical and numerical methods were developed for the solution of a multitude of applied problems in chemical kinetics, quantum mechanics, nucleation and image resolution for tomography. He began his talk with a slide about "new" approaches to pedagogy—which bemoan the "tyranny of the lecture" and extol "project-based learning". Of course, for him, this is nothing new.

His career trajectory began with electronics projects in the basement of his parents' home, which sometimes made the lights go out. Summer jobs while he was an undergraduate gave him experience in the bio-medical field. His "projects" sometimes led to career changes—from experimental to theoretical chemistry, for example. He provided a long list of mentors, including future Nobel Prize winners, whom he worked with at Columbia and Harvard. He concluded by emphasizing the importance of collegiality in an academic career. He is proud to be a "graduate" of Prince House, a building at Columbia that was a hangout for grad students in Chemistry.

December 5, 2017

### **Rabab Ward:** *Multimedia, Brain-computer Interfaces and Medical Instrumentation: Dispatches of a Pioneer Woman in Engineering Across Continents*



On December 5, **Rabab Ward**, Professor Emerita, Electrical and Computer Engineering, and recipient of many awards, told about her education and career in the face of many hurdles. She grew up in a Moslem family in Lebanon, a family with a fascinating history often intertwined with the country's political history. She was brought up to think she could do whatever she wanted as long as she worked hard. Her first obstacle was not being able to study engineering in Lebanon; the American and French universities would not take women in Engineering because they just got married and the departments had no washrooms for women. The consequence was that she went to Cairo, then a very international

city, to study medicine. After the first year she was able to switch to engineering, because she loved math and physics but not biology. Back in Lebanon, there was not much work for engineers and she wanted something challenging, so she soon headed off to Berkeley for graduate school (after deciding Boston was too cold) and became the first woman with a degree from Egypt (and second woman overall) to get a Ph.D. in Engineering at UC Berkeley. With academic positions in Engineering still not open to women, she followed her husband to Zimbabwe and then UBC as a sessional lecturer. After two years—nine years post PhD—she was appointed Assist. Professor, the first woman in Engineering. Rabab started in Control and Systems but soon switched to the new field of Signal Processing. She says that everything in the universe can be described as signal, vibration, waves, so she has been able to apply signal processing theory to many diverse areas (image super-resolution, restoration and compression, brain-computer interface, seizure detection and prediction, TV cable monitoring, face recognition, video copying detection, cell imaging, mammography, MRI, and tomography x-ray imaging, and the stock market, just to name a few), with ever new applications still engaging her curiosity and hard work.

January 9, 2018

**Ken Carty: Taking Chances: A Political Scientist at Large Inside and Outside the University**

On January 9, Ken Carty, Professor Emeritus of Political Science, took us on a tour of his professional life, emphasizing how saying "Yes" to unlooked-for and unexpected opportunities can lead to new possibilities for intellectual and professional growth, raise research questions worth answering, lead to productive partnerships, and enable one to participate more fully in the collective enterprise of a research university. An early "Yes" saw him move from Montreal to New Brunswick to study Forestry, with subsequent "Yeses" when he met (his now wife), Elaine, changed his field of study, and completed a PhD in Comparative Politics at Queen's University after a stint as a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford. Ken treated us to a photo of him and his old friend and then colleague, Peter Ward (Prof. Emeritus, History), on the Isis, where they crewed with a boatload of now-eminent people. Ken said "Yes" to a position at UBC and then again to teach in an entirely new area, which led to new areas of research and public service. Ken was led by his training in Economics and Politics into research on the political and electoral systems in Ireland and so to similar subjects in the Canadian context. Saying "Yes" saw Ken become Chair (for 20 years) of the then-failing UBC Press, which is now regarded as Canada's leading publisher of social science research and, subsequently, Senior Editor of the European Consortium for Political Research. It also led him outside academia to serve the governments of Ireland, the Netherlands, and Canada. In Canada he worked as a consultant to national and provincial Royal Commissions, the CBC Ombudsman, and the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada, as well as being a member of the 2002-03 Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for British Columbia. One unlooked-for role we probably all remember is his being Director of Research for the BC Citizens' Assembly on Electoral Reform, a very innovative exercise that was particularly interesting to hear about. Opportunities embraced outside of Ken's professional life include roles as Board Member and Trustee for the Vancouver School of Theology and its Foundation and, most recently, as an appointed Trustee of the UBC Faculty Pension Plan. We expect that Ken's talk inspired the Green College students to think positively about taking chances: "think positively about taking chances and say "Yes."



*This series is co-sponsored by UBCAPE and Green College  
and organized by Emeritus Professor John Gilbert.*

### In Memoriam

Melva Dwyer	1919-2017	Librarian Emerita University Service 1943-1985
Susan Mathew	1933-2017	Librarian Emerita University Service 1982-1998
Finlay Morrison	1917-2017	Professor Emeritus of Pharmaceutical Sciences University Service 1947-1983
Eldo Neufeld	1925-2018	General Librarian Emeritus University Service 1970-1991
Barbara Saint	1947-2017	Administrative Librarian Emerita UBC Service 1977-2013

## Celebrating Emeritus Research November 21, 2017

Thanks to the organizational and arm-twisting skills of **Peter Suedfeld** (Professor Emeritus of Psychology) the audience at November's Emeritus Research Day was treated to another amazing demonstration of the breadth, vigour, and interest of scholarly work being done by Professors Emeriti.



Slide showing "shortage" of non-indigenous females in BC

**Jean Barman** (Professor Emerita of Educational Studies) led off with ***British Columbia's Secret: Saved by Indigenous Women***. As she explained, the British Columbia that became a province of Canada in 1871 had a problem. Its two founding economies, first the fur trade and then a gold rush, had each attracted men of ambition almost wholly unable, due to the vast distances, to bring a wife with them or acquire one from whence they came. Nor could they find one of similar background in British Columbia, given three times as many non-indigenous men as women. For at least 1,600 of them, and this is British Columbia's

secret, indigenous women became their wives, with many of the unions so far tracked extending over the life span. However, the federal government turned indigenous women married to non-indigenous men and their offspring across the generations into half-persons, unworthy of attention, by removing their indigenous status. Government actions kept this contribution "secret" until it was unearthed by Professor Barman's extensive archival research and interviews with descendants of these women.



**Robert Paterson** (Professor Emeritus, Allard School of Law) presented a fascinating account of the legal issues surrounding *Mokomokai*, Maori-preserved tattooed heads, which were first seen by English explorers and then collected by the earliest visitors to New Zealand at the beginning of the nineteenth century. This led to a barbaric trade and eventually to legal steps to stop it. However, many of the heads can still be found in private and museum collections around the world. Measures to secure the return of these heads are now in place, but controversy still surrounds indigenous remains of this sort and how the law should deal generally with the question of ownership of human remains.



With his characteristic wit, **J. Evan Kreider** (Professor Emeritus, School of Music) concluded the afternoon's program with an account of his efforts to bring *Old Music* back to life. How do musicologists even begin to recover those musical notes that once resounded through Europe's northern cathedrals on a daily basis? Since composers customarily drafted music using chalk on slate, autograph copies are unknown. How then can we determine which of the many contemporary sources are trustworthy—the closest to the composer's wishes? After all that sleuthing, can the music be recreated in a way the composer would have appreciated?

Professor Kreider addressed these questions, in part by sharing his research on Pierre de la Rue (c.1450-1518), the favoured composer of the Hapsburgs, focusing on *Missa pro fidelibus defunctis*, a requiem for male voices. Copies of the Requiem exist in various libraries and collections, but they differ from one another, presenting a challenge to scholars interesting in finding "the original". Moreover, none of the manuscripts contain instructions regarding tempo—metronomes hadn't been invented. We also don't know whether the notes on the page correspond in pitch to their modern counterparts. He illustrated his argument by playing three recordings of the Requiem with different tempi. The differences in the resulting sound are striking.

**SAVE THE DATE: The next Celebration of Emeritus Research is April 12.**

## Emeritus Awards

### Order of Canada



On December 29, 2017, **Michael Church**, Professor Emeritus of Geography was appointed as Officer of the Order of Canada for his outstanding contributions as a renowned fluvial geomorphologist who has heightened our understanding of rivers and river processes.



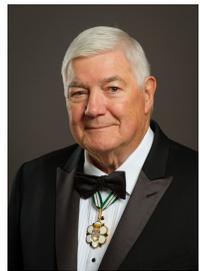
### Order of British Columbia



Champion for healthcare options for pregnant women in British Columbia, **Elaine Carty, CM** (Nursing), was instrumental in bringing midwifery into the mainstream and providing pregnant women with disabilities supportive delivery and postnatal care.



Recognized as the founder of modern preventative heart disease practices, **Jiri Frohlich's** (Pathology) research and clinical work has shaped contemporary medical thinking around the link between cholesterol and heart disease. As well, he led the creation of national guidelines for identification and treatment for inherited heart disease.



**Stanley Hamilton** (Sauder School) is a respected professor emeritus at Sauder School of Business whose contributions go well beyond the academic world and leave an indelible mark on the arts, urban planning,

industry governance and property tax reform.



**Rosamund Harrison** (Oral Health Science) is an internationally recognized leader in the field of pediatric dentistry and early childhood oral health promotion. She is a champion for improved oral health of children in low-income, new immigrant and Indigenous communities.



For decades human rights advocate **Jennifer Wade** has steadfastly helped those in need and those facing injustices who are often unable to speak for themselves. A founding member of Amnesty International in Vancouver, she has worked not only on behalf of prisoners of conscience all over the world, but also she has been a public spokesperson and champion for prisoners' rights, children-in-care, and people facing injustices.

## Other Awards

**Marketa Goetz-Stankiewicz**,  
Central, Eastern and North Euro-  
pean Studies

The Jiri Theiner Award for 'contribution and dissemination of Czech literature abroad.' conferred during the international book fair "The World of the Book" in Prague. The award was donated by Jiri Theiner's son Pavel Theiner.

**Judith Hall**, Pediatrics & Medical Genetics

Professor Hall will receive the 2018 Life Time Achievement Award from *American College of Medical Genetics* in April.

**Marvin Westwood**, Counselling Psychology

The *Visionaries International Network* Lifetime Achievement Award in the category of Personal & Community Wellbeing and the *Visionaries International Network* in recognition of the Veterans Transition Project in the category of Personal & Community Wellbeing, October 2017

## "What are they up to now?" Department

The professional organization of electrical and electronic engineers (IEEE) has recently initiated a strategy for assisting in building engineering capacity in under-served countries. UBC Professor Emerita, **Rabab Ward** from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) is the chair of "The Strategic Planning Committee Ad-hoc on Africa Committee" and, over the last two years, has organized lectures/courses/workshops/tutorials/seminars on engineering education and professional development in Ghana, Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. One of the participating lecturers is her ECE colleague and UBC Professor Emeritus **David Pulfrey**, who has given short courses in five of the above countries on sustainability in electricity generation and electrical lighting. The photo shows him with attendees at a course given at Jomo Kenyatta University in Nairobi in 2016.



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**February 3:** Ms. Janet Tobias, American Award winning director and producer—UNSEEN ENEMY: THE RISKS OF A GLOBAL PANDEMIC AND HOW TO PREVENT IT

**February 10:** Professor Samuel Aparicio, Nan and Lorraine Robertson Chair in Breast Research, UBC—DEFEATING THE EVOLUTION OF CANCER: MEASUREMENTS, MATH AND LESSONS FROM MICROBES

**February 24:** Professor Peter W. Klein, Director Global Reporting Centre, UBC—RISK TO DEMOCRACY WHEN THE FOURTH ESTATE COMES UNDER ATTACK

**March 3:** Professor David McDonald, Distinguished Chair in Russian History, University of Wisconsin—MAKING RUSSIA GREAT AGAIN: PUTIN AND THE ROOTS OF THE NEW GLOBAL POPULISM

**March 10:** Dr. Ann Jones, American Scholar, writer and journalist—THE DEMOCRACY SPECTRUM: FROM NORWAY TO THE US TO AFGHANISTAN

**March 17:** Professor Eric Cline, Director, Capitol Archaeological Institute, George Washington University—1177 BC: THE YEAR CIVILIZATION COLLAPSED

**March 24:** Professor Sylvia Nasar, Graduate School of Journalism, Columbia University—ECONOMIC INEQUALITY IN AMERICA: FACTS, FICTION AND HOW TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE

**April 7:** Professor Sander Gilman, Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Emory University—STAND UP STRAIGHT! OUR POSTURE AND HOW HISTORY SHAPES OUR ANATOMY

All lectures  
take place in IRC 2 at 8:15 pm.

### Main Concert Series Spring 2018

**February 14-16:** Jan Lisiecki, piano.

**March 14-16:** Adrian Anantawan, violin

### UBC School of Music Wednesday Noon Hour Concerts 12:00 pm, Barnett Hall Admission \$5

**January 31:** Music for clarinet and whimsical sounds. Jose Franch-Ballester, clarinet; Keith Hamel, electronics: Keith Hamel, *Traces for B<sup>b</sup> Clarinet and Interactive Electronics*; Saül Gómez-Soler, *Apocryphos for clarinet and (fantastical) sounds* (World Première)

**February 7:** Robert Cohen, cello; Patricia Tao, piano: Bloch, *From Jewish Life*; Pärt, *Fratres for cello and piano*; Shostakovich, *Sonata for Cello and Piano in D minor, Op. 40*

**February 14:** David Gillham, violin; Eric Wilson, cello; Richard Mingus, horn; Julia Chien, percussion; Corey Hamm, piano: Chatman *Pender Harbour Suite* for violin, piano and cello; Bolcom, *Dark Music, duo* for cello and timpani; Amram *Three Songs for Marlboro* for horn and cello; Golijov, *Mariel* for cello and marimba

**February 28:** Robert Silverman, piano: *Chopin Scherzos Nos. 1-4*

**March 7:** *The Last Rose of Summer*. Debi Wong, voice; Otto Tolonen, guitar; Mikko Ikäheimo, lute. Texts by William Shakespeare with contemporary music of Hans Werner Henze and historical music of Dowland, Campion and Johnson

