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"Teacher's pet? That's me."

Scholarship Program 2023

Johnson Insurance is proud to offer 50 scholarships, valued at \$1000 each, to eligible students completing high school in 2023 and starting post-secondary education in the fall of 2023.

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PRESIDENT'S Message



Blair Howes

Welcome all to the beautiful Rocky Mountains and Lake Louise for ACIFA's 44th annual Spring Conference.

Time has absolutely zoomed by this year and it's hard to believe that we were last here over 3 years ago – last year being the first return to this event in Jasper post-government restrictions due to the pandemic.

Please take the time to re-engage with old friends and create new ones. Together, we will always be stronger and better. Ultimately, as the guardians of collective post-secondary knowledge, we will no doubt make the learning experiences for our students far better in these challenging times of a "new normal".

I want to thank Alberta University of the Arts Faculty Association President, Natali Rodrigues, and the Hosting Committee for all the hard work and dedication that went into planning this event.

Welcome Troublemakers!

I would also like to thank Randy Pearson from Johnson Insurance as a legacy sponsor of our event over the years. His dedication to serving ACIFA's member institutions has been unwavering even through the pandemic years. Again, thank you. (A little bird has informed me there will be *socks!*)

Finally, enjoy the conference as there will be something of interest for all who attend, and congratulations to the ACIFA award recipients.

Best regards

Blair



Welcome



AUAFA PRESIDENT'S Message



Natali Rodrigues

My dear colleagues and friends, the Alberta University of the Arts Faculty Association (AUAFA) have been thinking about and planning this conference for the last two years, and it is exciting to be able to say it is finally here! You may be curious about the theme of the conference. It came about as we were talking through some of the changes in the rights and authorities as our associations have moved to labour unions. We are impowered to cause good trouble for our members. We are working together to make our

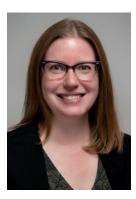
empowered to cause good trouble for our members. We are working together to make our classrooms and institutions better places by advocating for each other. The conference itself has 4 sub themes: decolonizing, play, organizing (union), and other. The schedule allows you to drift between themes or focus on one! You may also notice that many of the presentations are in a workshop format. I am particularly excited about it as echoes what many of us do—teach through doing.

See you in Lake Louise!

Natali Rodrigues, MA(VA) President, AUAFA



Distinguished Instructor Award



Dana Wight is the recipient of the 2023 Distinguished Instructor Award.

Dana is an English instructor and Chair of the Arts & Sciences Program at NorQuest College. She completed her PhD in English at the University of Alberta, specializing in 18th-century literature and feminist

psychoanalytic theory. Dana has published a chapter in philosopher Luce Irigaray's book *Building a New World* (2015), presented conference papers at a number of Canadian universities as well as internationally at the National College for Teaching and Leadership (UK), University College London (UK), and Université de Bretagne Occidentale (France), and published an article in George Orwell Studies (2019). She was recently honoured to receive the 2021 Jaye Fredrickson Excellence in Teaching Award at NorQuest College in recognition of her commitment to teaching and learning, and she was the 2018 recipient of NorQuest's Quest for Excellence Research Award. Dana also hosts a community radio program called Ex Libris featuring music inspired by literature.

Established in 2016, this award aims to recognize teachers who exhibit commitment to teaching, learners, and learning through a variety of measures.

This province-wide award attracts both recognition and a financial award of \$1,500 for the faculty member or team and \$500 for the faculty member's faculty association.



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Innovation in Teaching Award



Gillian Comchi is the recipient of the 2023 Innovation in Teaching Award.

Born and raised in Southern Alberta, Gillian Comchi is a proud alumnus of the University of Lethbridge, where she obtained her Bachelor of Nursing degree. After working as an RN within Southern Alberta, Gillian began pursuing her teaching career at Lethbridge College in 2012. During her graduate studies, Gillian engaged in

a Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) research study examining students' experiences of a capstone high-fidelity simulation experience for health care aide (HCA) students. It was designed to enhance students' ability and conceptual understanding of dementia and end-of-life care.

Gillian has continued to engage in research and scholarly activities at Lethbridge College related to simulation, specifically the use by unregulated healthcare professionals. Additional scholarly promoting activities surround student engagement and SoTL mentorship and development among faculty.

Selection of the Innovation in Teaching Award included consideration of evidence of student satisfaction and learning outcomes; that the innovation was successfully integrated into the total learning process for the relevant course of study; and that the potential for the innovation can be applied to different fields of study.

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Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award



Heather Setka was last year's recipient of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award. However, Heather is presenting at this year's conference now that she's finished her research project and is ready to present her findings.

Monday morning May 8th

7:15 - 9:00

8:15 - 8:30

8:30 - 9:30



Breakfast in Mount Temple AB Welcome and introductions Keynote presentation

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Troy Patenaude



Dr. Troy Patenaude, PhD, is an art and cultural historian, guide, curator, and educator who has spent his life exploring the intersection between nature, arts, culture, and social change. He was born in Nipissing Anishnaabek ancestral lands in the upper Great Lakes, and is of Georgian Bay Métis and mixed European ancestry.

Troy has lived most of this life,

however, in Blackfoot and Ktunaxa territories, growing up largely off-thegrid in the Rocky Mountains between Kootenay and Banff National Parks. His PhD research explored decolonization in the Canadian art world, and he has applied this work to various jobs and projects about decolonization, including with the Borealis Gallery at the Alberta Legislature, the Calgary Foundation, Fort Calgary National Historic Site, the University of Calgary, and numerous other organizations throughout Calgary and the Bow Valley. He is deeply passionate about initiatives that help make Canada a more just and resilient place.

Troy is currently an Instructor at the Alberta University of the Arts, where he teaches settler-colonial and Indigenous studies, and has created a new course on decolonization in museums and art galleries. He is also part of the leadership team for Cross River Education & Retreat Centre, where he guides uncomfortable history hikes, and co-facilitates land-based learning and decolonization programs and retreats for the tourism industry in the Rocky Mountain Parks and others in the region.

On a more personal level, Troy is also a musician, artisan, finger weaver, and flint knapper. He is also always keen for a good conversation, especially around a campfire, and particularly a campfire he's made without matches or lighters. schedule



9:45 - 10:55

MONDAY MORNING SESSIONS

Play With Your Food Beehive



Dana Wight NorQuest College Chair and English Instructor: Arts and Sciences Program

This session will explore the lost connections between the sensation of touch, as a tactile exploration of the world, and modern forms of consumption. 2023 Distinguished Instructor Award winner.





Draw-a-thon Lakeshore 9:45 – 10:15 Ashleigh Bartlett AUArts Painting Department

The Draw-a-thon is an ongoing performative project where drawings are rapidly passed back and forth between participants. (Session repeated at 3:15pm)

Disrupting Societal Constructs: Leadership and Innovation in Inclusive Post-Secondary Education Plain of Six Glaciers 9:45 – 10:55 Shawna Francis & Charmaine McIntyre Inclusion Alberta

Join us in hearing about counter-cultural approaches of including students with developmental disabilities in higher education across the province.









Ethics of Care in a Post-Pandemic World Saddleback

9:45 - 10:45

Leigh Dyrda

NorQuest College University Transfer

This workshop examines what the "ethics of care" are in postsecondary education from feminist and radical empathy perspectives. What is your capacity for engaging in radical care?

Bears Not Racoons Beehive 11:05 - 12:05**Troy Patenaude AUArts**

Personal lessons, based on 20 years of experience working in decolonization, will be introduced to initiate a conversation and workshop about future directions.

Breakout Boxes for Fun and Active Student Learning Lakeshore 10:25 - 12:05 Mabvn Grinde Faculty Development Coordinator Michelle Beal Instructor, Health and Wellness

Breakout boxes are a take on escape rooms. They are a fun way for students to collaboratively engage in learning or reinforcing main concepts. Participants will try this and share their best tips and tricks for how to successfully incorporate this strategy into teaching spaces! Max. 20 participants.



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The Case Study as a Method of Subversive Learning

Plain of Six Glaciers 11:05 – 12:05

Christopher Willard

AUArts Painting Department

The case study as an engaging, and perhaps subversive, effective pedagogical tool that facilitates non-hierarchical learning, viewpoint diversity, and group work.



Pushing Words into the Picture Saddleback 11:05 – 12:05

Ian Fitzgerald

AUArts School of Communication Design

The Visual Communications Design program at AUArts emphasizes, well, visuals. In the past, that was enough. Now, students gain facility with words, too. Here's how.





Lunch in Mount Temple AB Presentation of Award Winners Opening of the Silent Auction 12:05 – 1:30 Pages 7 & 8

Be prepared to outbid your colleagues!

Bid on a variety of items donated by the AUAFA hosting committee and other Faculty Associations.

Silent Auction items are available for bidding on throughout the conference. **The Auction closes Tuesday at 2:00 pm.**

Proceeds from the Silent Auction help to fund ACIFA's **Scholarship of Teaching and Learning award**.

Auction items must be paid for at the conference either by INTERAC transfer, cash, or cheque.









MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS

Electric Eel: Experimental Lexicons and the Playful Practice of Colour Naming Beehive 1:30 – 3:00 Megan Dyck

AUArts

This workshop explores the realm of colour nomenclature as a playful proposition by which to investigate the conceptual significance we subconsciously ascribe to colour.

Using a Digital Escape Room to Gamify the Learning Experience

Lakeshore 1:30 – 3:00 Miranda Hui & Rotem Lavy NorQuest College

Breakout of our digital escape room and learn how to create one for your classroom. Laptops are required.

Engagement Through Equity: Using Social Justice Tools to Address Student Achievement Plain of Six Glaciers 1:30 – 3:00 Jacquie Ganton Lakeland College Human Services

Exploring the power of social justice perspectives for increasing student engagement, decreasing resistance, and creating safe, equitable spaces for all students to achieve success.















Canada's 2012 "Maple Spring": What We Can Learn from Students Saddleback

1:30 - 3:00

Alexandru Caldararu

NorQuest College Language and Settlement Studies

This workshop will provide a retrospective of 2012's student-lead "Maple Spring" in Canada, and the lessons it holds for Faculty and Faculty Associations today.

Cross Stitch for Troublemakers Mount Temple C 1:30 – 3:00 Leah Townsend

NorQuest College Library

Learn the basics of cross stitch with some subversive patterns and a kit of essential supplies. Pre-registration & \$10 supply fee for this session. (Maximum 20 participants)

Risk Mitigation

Beehive 3:15 – 3:45 Justin Waddell AUArts Associate professor, School of Visual Arts

This performative lecture will illustrate various strategies for mitigating personal risk within academic institutions through an organizational culture supporting institutional memory and knowledge sharing. (Session repeated at 11:45am Tuesday)











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Banquet in Mount Temple AB Entertainment 6:00 – 8:00 8:00 – late

Monday evening



Starting at 8:00 pm Entertainer and hypnotist, WAYNE LEE



Followed by MUSIC AND DANCING, featuring:

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Tuesday morning May 9th

Breakfast in Mount Temple AB	7:15 – 9:00
ACIFA Annual General Meeting	8:00 - 9:50

Jeopardy in the Classroom Beehive 10:00 – 11:00 Gail Hiar & Jody Emigh Portage College Learning and Applied Research



Back by request, join Jody and Gail for a bit of fun playing another game of ACIFA Jeopardy, 2023! This session is built for ACIFA college faculty, so bring your enthusiasm. We may have some prizes up our sleeves!



Going Big: Studying Bargaining Strategies, Lessons Learned at NAIT Lakeshore 10:00 – 11:00 Trevor Zimmerman & Shauna MacDonald NAIT NAIT Academic Staff Association







Can negotiations include more academic staff participation? NASA shares their experiences learning about and practicing new ways of bargaining.







Hearing the Indigenous Voice Through an Online International Nursing Education Collaboration. Plain of Six Glaciers 10:00 – 11:00 Teresa Evans Department of Nursing and Health Studies Darlene Horseman Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

Desiree Mearon Indigenous Liaison Coordinator – Indigenous Services

Northwestern Polytechnic



A Collaborative Online International Learning program between Holmesglen Institute in Melbourne, Australia and Northwestern Polytechnic was established in 2021. The presenters will discuss their experiences and key learnings from producing and implementing the project, as well as showcase excerpts from the virtual reality simulation produced.

The Drowning of an Artist Lefroy Room 10:00 – 11:00 Mitch Kern AUArts School of Communication Design

This session tells the story of the drowning of a 19th century artist.





Enhancing Classroom Community with Gamification and Authentic Assessment Beehive

11:10 - 12:15

Jennifer Rooke NorQuest College Academic Upgrading

Gamification can be used to help build a sense of community in your class. It can also be used as a great assessment tool. This workshop will explore some tools and techniques to use it in your classroom.

Incorporating Experiential Learning Opportunities in the Classroom Lakeshore

11:10 - 12:15 **Gillian Comchi** Lethbridge College **NESA BN Program**

This is a presentation of Gillian's research study examining students' experiences of a capstone high-fidelity simulation experience for health care aide (HCA) students. It was designed to enhance students' ability and conceptual understanding of dementia and end-of-life care. 2023 Innovation in Teaching Award winner.





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Authentic Assessment as a Decolonizing Strategy

Plain of Six Glaciers 11:10 – 12:15

Janelle Therien

NorQuest College Research and Academic Innovation

"Authentic Assessment" and "Decolonization" have become ubiquitous in education, but what do they mean in practice and how are they connected? Join Janelle for a timely and relevant discussion!





Engineers Canada's 30 by 30 Initiative's Impact on Gender Diversity

Saddleback

11:10 - 12:15

Claudia Gomez-Villeneuve

NorQuest College Faculty of Business, Environment, and Technology

This session analyzes the disruptive influence of the 30 by 30 Initiative by Engineers Canada on increased female participation in traditionally male dominated fields.



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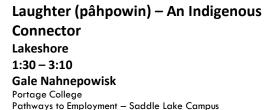


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Lunch in Mount Temple AB12:15 - 1:30ACIFA Conference 2024 hosting Committee presentationClosing of the Silent Auction2:00

The Inclusive Syllabus as a Relationship Building Tool Beehive 1:30 – 2:30 Rotem Lavy & Miranda Hui NorQuest College

An inclusive syllabus lays the foundation to creating a welcoming, learner-centred classroom and demonstrates the instructor's commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion.



How can we utilize the gift of laughter to connect and maintain that connection with our learners and colleagues?











Women Teaching Men Saddleback 1:30 – 2:30 Heather Setka SAIT Communications and Liberal Arts Studies

This presentation will share findings from ongoing research which addresses the unique experiences of women teaching classrooms populated primarily by men. She will share experiences in this classroom environment as determined through the collective knowledge drawn from qualitative interviews with both women instructors and best practices for their academic leaders. 2022 Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Award winner.





Stitch & Bitch: Craftivism and Making Good Trouble Mount Temple C 1:30 – 2:30 Christine Somer, Anne Drew Potter, & Kasia Koralewska AUArts

Learn the traditional craft of cross-stich, while engaging in a discussion about craft as a vehicle of social engagement and change. Participants are asked to pay a \$10 fee for supplies.

The Faculty Evaluation Process: Guidance and Development by Policy

Beehive 2:40 – 3:40

Bill Petrosenko

Red Deer Polytechnic Heavy Equipment Technician Department, School of Education and Trades

Insight will be provided into one institute's system of yearly faculty evaluation as well as the promotion from sessional to probationary to continuous appointment.









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Trust, Teams, and Growth – Reflections on Maturing in our Roles as Educators Saddleback 2:40 – 3:40 Michelle Beal, Daphne Thompson, Deb Minish, & Mabyn Grinde Lakeland College

School of Health and Wellness

Join us for a conversation about doing the hard work of building trust, developing as a team, and growing our teaching practice. You will even get to try cutting hair!











Shift(y) Work: Contract Academics and Erosion of the Collective Bargain Mount Temple C 2:40 – 3:40 Mark Giles, Anne Drew Potter, & Cassandra Dam AUArts

Discussion led by contract instructors probes how the transactional structure of academic contract work "makes trouble" for the academic labor force as a whole.











Banquet in Mount Temple AB Entertainment Music & dancing featuring...

6:00 - 8:008:00 – late · | | | | · DJ KWAKE ENTERTAINMENT



MONDAY & TUESDAY 10:00 - 12:00

Warrior Women ⊳_ف∩σ۹۰ ∆^۹۰ه

Do you hear the heart beat of Mother Earth?

Wapakwanis Plant Walk, Make & Take Level of Difficulty – Easy

Join Cree Knowledge Keeper, Matricia, as she takes you on a fascinating journey through the Plant Medicine World of Banff National Park. She will lead a walk both Monday and Tuesday morning at 10:00 pm.

Tickets are \$40/person and should be purchased in advance at the ACIFA reception desk. There are limited spots for each walk.

This leisurely exploration looks at the food and medicines that the land offers and that can be found in surprising places. The enchantment of the land is blended with the practical as you partake in this enlightening experience.





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MONDAY & TUESDAY 3:15 – 3:45 Lakeshore

Meditation & Mindfulness

Mindfulness is the practice of purposely bringing one's attention to the present-moment experience without evaluation.

Mindfulness derives from sati a significant element of in many ancient meditative practices.

> Join Carl for an informal introduction to and guided mindfulness meditation.



Carl White was born in Liverpool, England in 1969. He Studied at the Alberta College of Art & Design from 1989-1992 in Calgary, Alberta.

His paintings and drawings have been featured in many solo and group exhibitions across Canada since 1992 and reside in numerous private collections nationally and internationally.

He has practiced meditation for over 35 years in various disciplines finally landing on the simple effective practice of Mindfulness.

Tickets are \$20/person and should be purchased in advance at the ACIFA reception desk.

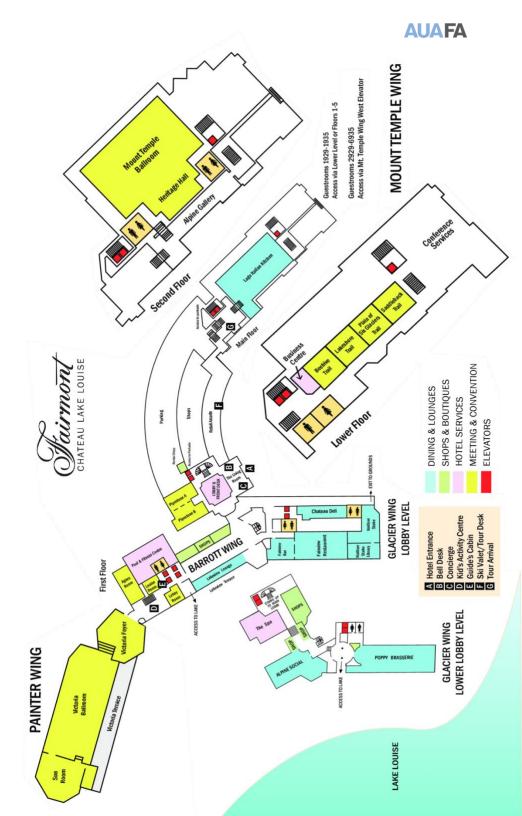


Conference Schedule

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