

The Centre for Diaspora and Transnational Studies and Cambridge University Press are pleased to announce

The Cambridge History of Postcolonial Literature Conference

University of Toronto, September 18-21, 2008

William Doo Auditorium, New College, 45 Willcocks Street

The conference brings together 30+ international contributors to the two-volume Cambridge History of Postcolonial Literature. Themes to be addressed will include:

- Postcolonial literary history and different geographical and national frameworks (Australia, Canada, Ireland, Germany, India, South Africa, the Arab world, etc.)
 - Travel narratives and postcolonialism
 - Aboriginal writing in the Americas and the Antipodes
 - Postcolonialism and Religion
 - Postcolonial Literature and the question of translation
 - Publishing, prizes, and postcolonial literary production
 - Key Journals and Organizations, among various others

Thursday, September 18

- 09:00-09:15 **Welcome Address**
Alan Bewell (Chair, English Department, University of Toronto)
- 09:15-09:40 **Introduction**
Ato Quayson (Director, Centre for Diaspora and Transnational Studies, University of Toronto)
Postcolonial Writing in a Changing Frame
- PANEL 1**
Chair: Victor Li (University of Toronto)
- 09:40-10:00 Gareth Griffiths (University of Western Australia)
Postcolonialism and Travel Writing
- 10:00-10:20 Philip Holden (National University of Singapore)
The Postcolonial Auto/biography
- 10:20-10:40 Victor Li (University of Toronto)
Primitivism and Postcolonial Literature
- 10:40-11:00 Uzo Ensowanne (University of Toronto)
Orality and the Genres of African Postcolonial Writing
- 11:00-11:20 Coffee Break
- 11:20-12:20 Open Discussion
- 12:20-14:00 Lunch

PANEL 2

Chair: Gareth Griffiths (University of Western Australia)

- 14:00-14:20 Winfried Siemerling (Sherbrooke University)
The Postcolonial Novel in Canada
- 14:20-14:40 Marcos Piason Natali (University of São Paulo)
Postcolonialism and Latin American Literature
- 14:40-15:00 Francisco Ortega (Universidad Nacional de Colombia)
Postcolonialism and Latin American Literature
- 15:00-15:20 Muhsin Al-Musawi (Columbia University)
Postcolonialism and Arab Literature
- 15:20-15:40 Coffee Break
- 15:40-16:40 Open Discussion

Friday, September 19

- 09:00-09:20 Coffee

PANEL 3

Chair: Gabriella Mazzon (University of Cagliari)

- 09:20-09:40 Lene Johannessen (University of Bergen)
The Postcolonial Palimpsest and Hybridity
- 09:40-10:00 Pius Adesanmi (Carleton University)
Postcolonial African Francophone Literature
- 10:00-10:20 Ananya Kabir (Leeds University)
Postcolonial Writing in India
- 10:20-10:40 Julian Murphet (University of Sydney)
Postcolonial Writing in Australia and New Zealand
- 10:40-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 Open Discussion
- 12:00-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-15:00 **Keynote Address:** Linda Hutcheon (University of Toronto)
"Adventures in Literary Historyland"

PANEL 4

Chair: Jahan Ramazani (University of Virginia)

- 15:00-15:20 Elaine Savory (The New School University)
Postcolonialism and Caribbean Literature
- 15:20-15:40 Rajeev Patke (National University of Singapore)
Postcolonial Literature in Southeast Asia
- 15:40-16:00 Debjani Ganguly (Australian National University)
The Language Question in India
- 16:00-16:20 Bhekizizwe Peterson (University of the Witwatersrand)
The Language Question in Africa

16:20-16:40 Coffee Break
16:40-17:40 Open Discussion

Saturday, September 20

09:00-09:20 Coffee
PANEL 5
Chair: Elaine Savory (The New School University)
09:20-09:40 Joe Cleary (National University of Ireland)
Postcolonial Ireland
09:40-10:00 Gabriella Mazzon (University of Cagliari)
English and the Development of Postcolonial Literature
10:00-10:20 Harish Trivedi (University of Delhi)
Postcolonial Literature and Translation
10:20-10:40 Ira Raja (University of Delhi)
Key Journals and Organizations
10:40-11:00 Break
11:00-12:00 Open Discussion
12:00-14:00 Lunch

PANEL 6

Chair: Harish Trivedi (University of Delhi)

14:00-14:20 Ankhi Mukherjee (Oxford University)
Postcolonial Responses to the Western Canon
14:20-14:40 Elizabeth DeLoughrey (UCLA)
Island Writing, Creole Cultures
14:40-15:00 Jahan Ramazani (University of Virginia)
Poetry and Postcolonialism
15:00-15:20 Adlai Murdoch (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
Negritude and Postcolonial Literature
15:20-15:40 Kwaku Larbi-Korang (Ohio State University)
Decolonization and the Imperatives of Writing
15:40-16:00 Coffee Break
16:00-17:00 Open Discussion

Sunday, September 21

09:00-09:20 Coffee
PANEL 7
Chair: Lene Johannessen (University of Bergen)
09:20-09:40 Daniel Heath Justice (University of Toronto)
Aboriginal Writing in the Americas and the Antipodes
09:40-10:00 Anne Brewster (University of South Wales)
Aboriginal Writing in the Americas and the Antipodes
10:00-10:20 Stephanie Newell (University of Sussex)

African Popular Literature and Postcolonial Literary Production

- 10:20-10:40 Abhijit Gupta (Jadavpur University)
African Popular Literature and Postcolonial Literary Production
- 10:40-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 Open Discussion
- 12:00-14:00 Lunch

PANEL 8

Chair: Rajeev Patke (University of Singapore)

- 14:00-14:20 Lindiwe Dovey (SOAS, University of London)
Film and Postcolonial Writing
- 14:20-14:40 Anjali Prabhu (Wellesley College)
*Fanon, Glissant, Memmi, CLR James and their impact on
Postcolonial Writing*
- 14:40-15:00 Chris Warnes (Cambridge University)
Postcolonial Writing in South Africa
- 15:00-15:20 Jamie S. Scott (York University)
Postcolonialism and Religion
- 15:20-15:40 Coffee Break
- 15:40-16:40 Open Discussion
- 16:40-17:00 **Closing Remarks:** Ato Quayson

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