# Vancouver Institute Fall 2002 Program

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Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

## General Information

Please see the [Vancouver Institute home page](http://vaninst.ca/Vi2002Fall.html).

## Lecture Times

Saturday evenings, 8:15 p.m. (doors open 7:30 p.m.), except where otherwise noted.

The Fall 2002 season comprises nine lectures, from September 28 to November 23, omitting October 12 (Thanksgiving).

## Fall 2002 Lecture Schedule

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How to get there.

About The Vancouver Institute. Complete list of lecture titles, from 1916 to the present.


The lectures are in Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia. When necessary, neighbouring overflow halls in the Centre, with closed-circuit TV, are used, and the speaker visits each hall during the question period.

Seats in the front half of the main hall are reserved for members until fifteen minutes before the starting time, and a few seats are reserved for specific people. Seating is otherwise first-come, first-served.
The Hon. Thomas Berger, O.C., Q.C., Q.C. Lecture

The Hon. Thomas Berger, O.C., Q.C.
Vancouver, B.C.

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on September 28, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

One Man's Justice: The Law and the Struggle For a Just Society

Tom Berger has a long and distinguished record of public service. He served on the Supreme Court of BC for 12 years until returning to the practice of law in 1983. He has been both an MP and MLA for the riding of Vancouver-Burrard, Chair of the Royal Commission on Family and Children's Law, Commissioner of the Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry, Chair of the Alaska Native Review Commission, and Commissioner of the Indian and Inuit Health Consultation. In recognition of his service to both BC and Canada, Mr. Berger has received the Order of Canada and honorary degrees from over one dozen Canadian universities.

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Professor John Broome Lecture

Professor John Broome
White's Professor of Moral Philosophy
Oxford University

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on October 5, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

CECIL AND IDA GREEN LECTURE

Weighing Lives: The Value of Being Alive

Professor Broome received his education in Mathematics, Philosophy and Economics from Cambridge, the University of London and MIT. A Fellow of the British Academy and Royal Society of Edinburgh, Dr. Broome is considered one of the foremost authorities on the interaction of economics and ethical principles. An Advisor to the World Health Organization, he has taken a particular interest in the extraordinarily complex and multidisciplinary problems which beset both the environment and health care. A prolific author, Dr. Broome is editor of the journal, Economics and Philosophy.
Professor Carol Richards Lecture

Professor Carol Richards
Faculty of Medicine
Laval University

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on **October 19, 2002** at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

*Cecil and Ida Green Lecture*

**Maximizing Walking Capacity After Stroke**

Dr. Richards is one of the premier rehabilitation researchers in the world. Her studies have benefited the health and well-being of children with cerebral palsy and traumatic brain injury as well as adults who are recovering from stroke and those with Parkinson's disease. Dr. Richards has been invited to present her research in Australia, Germany, Italy, Kuwait, New Zealand, Sweden, and the United States. Among her many awards and honours include an honorary doctorate from the University of Ottawa (2001), a Canada Research Chair in Rehabilitation (2001), the Quebec Interprofessional Council Merit Prize (1997), the Lilian Pollard Visiting Professorship at the University of Toronto (1995), and the Dr. John Crawford Lectureship at the University of Toronto (1994).

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Professor James Guillet Lecture

Professor James Guillet
Department of Chemistry
University of Toronto

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on October 26, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

Dal Grauer Memorial Lecture

Plastics, Energy and Ecology

Professor Guillet received his B.A. from the University of Toronto and Ph.D. and Sc. D. from Cambridge. Dr. Guillet has focussed his research on the photophysics and photochemistry of large synthetic and natural macromolecules including plastics and DNA. He has placed special emphasis on the development of solar processes for the synthesis of useful chemicals such as hydrogen peroxide and Vitamin D, as well as for the photodestruction of harmful materials in the environment such as chlorinated solvents and PCBs. A major objective of his research is to produce polymer molecules capable of carrying out many of the functions of chloroplasts in green plants.

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Professor Peter Burns, Q.C. Lecture

Professor Peter Burns, Q.C.
Faculty of Law
UBC
Chairman, UN Organization Committee Against Torture

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on November 2, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

The UN Committee Against Torture: From Pinochet to a Borderless World

A native of New Zealand, Professor Burns was called to the bar of B.C. in 1975, and for 1982-91 served as Dean of the Faculty of Law at UBC. He has also served on the B.C. Law Reform Commission (1985-92) and the B.C. Forest Resources Commission (1990-91), and was a board member of the B.C. International Commercial Arbitration Centre from 1986 to 1996. Professor Burns was appointed Chair of the International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy in 1993, is a former President of the Society for the Reform of Criminal Law, and has been a member of the UN Organization Committee Against Torture since 1987 and its chair since 1998.

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Professor Shelley Wachsmann Lecture

Professor Shelley Wachsmann
Department of Biblical Archaeology
Texas A&M University

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on November 9, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

The Sea of Galilee Boat: An Extraordinary 2000-Year-Old Discovery

Before coming to Texas A&M, Professor Wachsmann served as the Inspector of Underwater Antiquities for Israel's Department of Antiquities and Museums from 1976 to 1989. As their resident nautical archaeologist, he was responsible for discovering, recording and protecting Israel's nautical heritage. He has conducted extensive research in the Mediterranean Sea, the Sea of Galilee, and the Red Sea. He is the author of numerous scientific and popular publications and is the author of four books. His most recent book, Seagoing Ships and Seamanship in the Bronze Age Levant, was published in 1998. Professor Wachsmann teaches courses in Biblical Archaeology and Preclassical Seafaring and is currently carrying out nautical research in Israel. He is a featured grantee in National Geographic Interactive.
Mr. Daniel Snowman Lecture

Mr. Daniel Snowman
   Writer, Lecturer, Broadcaster
   London, England
   
will be addressing the [Vancouver Institute](http://vaninst.ca/VbSnowman.html) on **November 16, 2002** at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the [Woodward Instructional Resources Centre](http://vaninst.ca/VbSnowman.html), University of British Columbia.

*Leon and Thea Koerner Lecture*

*Hitler's Emigres: The Cultural Impact on Britain of Refugees From Nazism*

Daniel Snowman was born in London and has degrees from Cambridge and Cornell, and at the age of twenty-four became a Lecturer at the University of Sussex. He has spent much of his professional life at the BBC where, as Chief Producer, Features (Radio), he was responsible for a wide range of projects on cultural and historical subjects. His previous books include *Fins de Siecle: How Centuries End, 1400-2000* (with Asa Briggs), a history of twentieth-century America, a comparative study of British and U.S. values, and critical portraits of the Amadeus Quartet and Placido Domingo. His most recent publication is *PastMasters: The Best of History Today*.

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Professor Sian Echard Lecture

Professor Sian Echard
Department of English
UBC

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on November 23, 2002 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

The Once and Present King: Arthur, Medieval and Modern

Professor Echard received her undergraduate degree at Queen's University, and PhD at the Centre for Medieval Studies at the University of Toronto. Her research interests include Anglo-Latin literature, Arthurian literature, John Gower, and manuscript studies. Her books include Arthurian Narrative in the Latin Tradition, and Anglo Latin and its Heritage: Essays in Honour of A.G. Rigg on his 64th Birthday, co-edited with Gernot Wieland. Her articles have appeared in Exemplaria, The Journal of Medieval Latin, Nottingham Medieval Studies, Medium Aevum, Studies in Philology, and The Journal of Medieval and Early Modern Philology. She holds a UBC Killam Research Prize for 1998, and a UBC Killam Teaching Prize for 2001.

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Professor Miguel Altieri Lecture

Professor Miguel Altieri
College of Natural Resources
University of California, Berkeley

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on **November 30, 2002** at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

**CECIL AND IDA GREEN LECTURE**

**Fatal Harvest: The Ecological Tragedy of Industrial Agriculture**

Dr. Altieri is a world authority on agroecology and the design of sustainable farming systems. He teaches agroecology at UC-Berkeley but also in various Masters programs offered by several Universities in Spain, Italy and Latin America. He has published 7 books, among them *Agroecology: the Science of Sustainable Agriculture*, and more than 200 papers in scientific journals. His research focuses on the development of alternative agricultural technologies for resource-poor farmers in developing countries and for organic farmers in the industrial world.

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