Vancouver Institute Spring 2004 Program

* Free Public Lectures *

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

General Information

Please see the Vancouver Institute home page.

Lecture Times

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

The Spring 2004 season comprises ten lectures, from January 31 to April 3, omitting February 14 (Midterm Break), plus Tuesday 22 June.

Special June Lecture

FIRST ANNUAL UBC MULTICULTURALISM LECTURE
In Collaboration with Heritage Canada and the CBC
The Chan Centre for the Performing Arts
Tuesday 22 June at 7:00pm (not 8pm as previously stated)

To celebrate Canada's National Multicultural Day, we invite you to attend the UBC Lecture on Multiculturalism presented by CBC Radio and Television. This lecture series is made possible by a grant from the Department of Canadian Heritage, Western Region.

This free event will be held on June 22, 2004, 7:00PM at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts at UBC.

We are delighted to announce that award-winning Canadian filmmaker Mina Shum will be the featured guest speaker for this year's lecture entitled New Day Rising: Journey of a Hyphenated Girl. Shum, born in Hong Kong and raised in Canada, rose to fame with her film Double Happiness, which premiered at the 1994 Toronto International Film Festival and went on to win critical acclaim in Vancouver, Torino and Berlin. The film struck a chord with Canadians who straddle the divide between fighting and accepting cultural roots and carving a sense of self. By sharing specific stories of how she came to embrace her hyphenation in her lecture, Shum hopes to celebrate and encourage all unique selves.

Shum's most recent film, Long Life, Happiness, and Prosperity, has appeared at more than 20 international film festivals and has received international recognition. Shum has a BA in Theatre and a diploma in Film Production from UBC and was a director resident at the Canadian Film Centre.

Music group Tandava will perform enchanting world music to set the evening. Tandava is a contemporary world music ensemble inspired by the folk and classical music of India and Bangladesh, with influences from China, the Middle-East, Africa and the West. Virtuosic tabla and world drum styles, with polyphonic marimba underpinnings, create the rhythmic and textural engine for lyrical erhu, multilingual vocals, bamboo flutes, distinctive guitar stylings, and various plucked stringed instruments to soar over. Their repertoire consists of original compositions and original arrangements of traditional pieces.

Hosted by Paul Kennedy, the lecture will be broadcast across the country on the Ideas program on CBC
Radio One (690 AM Vancouver) on June 25 @ 9:05PM. A feature documentary based on the lecture will be produced for CBC Newsworld. After the lecture, audience members will have the opportunity to address Mina in a Q & A session moderated by Paul. This event will prove to be interactive, entertaining, and thought provoking.

To reserve your free ticket, please call the registration line at 604-822-1444.

### Lecture Postponement

The lecture by Professor Kelly Oliver, *Why So Many People Feel Unloved and Unlovable*, originally scheduled for April 3, has been postponed until the Fall. Professor Shelley Wachsmann will be speaking in her stead.

### Spring 2004 Lecture Schedule

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| Feb 7  | **Mr. Jim Fulton**, Executive Director, David Suzuki Foundation  
*Climate Chaos* |
| Feb 14 | **MIDTERM BREAK—NO LECTURE** |
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*My Own Medicine: A Doctor's Life As a Patient* |
| Feb 28 | **Professor Ira Nadel**, Department of English, UBC  
*Picturing Poets and Eyeing Pound* |
| Mar 6  | **Professor Jodi Magness**, Department of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*The Dead Sea Scrolls* |
| Mar 13 | **UBC EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH LECTURE**  
**Professor Brett Finlay and Professor David Patrick, M.D.**, Biotechnology Laboratory, Departments of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, And Microbiology & Immunology, UBC, *and*, Department of Health Care & Epidemiology, UBC, And Centre for Disease Control, *respectively*  
*Dealing With SARS* |
| Mar 20 | **Dr. Ralph Yorsh**, Vancouver, B.C.  
*Medical Hypnosis in the 21st Century: What Can It Do For You?* |
| Mar 27 | **Professor David Owen Norris**, Royal College of Music, London  
*What's the Point of Classical Music?* |
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How to join: If you have a Vancouver Institute brochure, you can fill out the contained form and mail it with a cheque to the indicated address; otherwise you can simply come to a lecture, well ahead of the lecture time (there may be a lineup) with the membership fee.

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.
Professor Brian Rose Lecture

Professor Brian Rose
Chair, Department of Classics
University of Cincinnati

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on January 31, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

The Greeks in Afghanistan and Persia

Professor Rose is First Vice President of the Archaeological Institute of America and Director of the American excavations at the site of ancient Troy in modern day Turkey. His work has been featured by the BBC, New York Times, Archaeology magazine and other major media. Professor Rose specializes in the relationship of Greek and Roman culture to the civilizations of the Middle East. His talk to the Institute will focus on the most distant interface; when after the conquests of Alexander the Great, a Greek kingdom was established in what is now Afghanistan.

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Mr. Jim Fulton Lecture

Mr. Jim Fulton
Executive Director
David Suzuki Foundation

will be addressing the [Vancouver Institute](http://vaninst.ca/VbFulton.html) on February 7, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the [Woodward Instructional Resources Centre](http://vaninst.ca/VbFulton.html), University of British Columbia.

**Climate Chaos**

Jim Fulton served 15 years in the House of Commons as the national spokesperson on the environment for the New Democratic Party. He also held Opposition portfolios in Aboriginal Affairs, Energy, Mining, and Forestry among others. Mr. Fulton served as Vice-Chair for the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Association from 1980 until 1993, when he left to work for the David Suzuki Foundation as Executive Director.

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Dr. Geoffrey Kurland, M.D. Lecture

Dr. Geoffrey Kurland, M.D.
Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh
And Department of Pediatrics
University of Pittsburgh

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on February 21, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

My Own Medicine:
A Doctor's Life As a Patient

A long-distance runner, Dr. Kurland's life changed dramatically at 41 when he was diagnosed with hairy cell leukemia, a rare form of leukemia that carried a high mortality. Dr. Kurland's control over his life and work was lost, and he now had to undergo procedures he had performed on his young patients. Through the process of his evaluation, treatment, and complications, Dr. Kurland experienced the power of disease over the individual. Now some 14 years in remission, Dr. Kurland has written a book about his experience. The New York Times wrote that the book could be seen as "required reading for every medical professional." The New Yorker called it an "energetic, nervy narrative." Dr. Kurland will discuss his experience and the lessons he learned as he battled to remission.

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Professor Ira Nadel Lecture

Professor Ira Nadel
Department of English
UBC

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on February 28, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

Picturing Poets and Eyeing Pound

Ira Nadel, Professor of English and UBC Distinguished University Scholar, is the author of biographies of Leonard Cohen, Tom Stoppard and, most recently, Ezra Pound. He has also published critical studies on Joyce and the subject of biography, and edited collections on Gertrude Stein, George Orwell and Pound. He is currently working on a life of the playwright David Mamet. For a number of years, he has been a book critic on CBC radio.

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Professor Jodi Magness Lecture

Professor Jodi Magness
Department of Religious Studies
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on March 6, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

The Dead Sea Scrolls

Professor Magness received her B.A. in Archaeology and History from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and her Ph.D. in Classical Archaeology from the University of Pennsylvania. Her book on The Archaeology of Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls won the 2003 Biblical Archaeology Society Award for the Best Popular Book in Archaeology of 2001-2002. Her research interests, which focus on Palestine in the Roman, Byzantine, and early Islamic periods, include ancient pottery, ancient synagogues, Qumran, and the Roman army in the East. She has participated in 20 different excavations in Israel and Greece, including co-directing the 1995 excavations in the Roman siege works at Masada. Since 2003, she has co-directed excavations at the Roman fort at Yotvata, Israel.

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Professor Brett Finlay and Professor David Patrick, M.D. Lecture

Professor Brett Finlay and Professor David Patrick, M.D.
Biotechnology Laboratory
Departments of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
And Microbiology & Immunology
UBC
and
Department of Health Care & Epidemiology, UBC
And Centre for Disease Control
respectively

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on March 13, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

UBC Excellence in Research Lecture

Dealing With SARS

A graduate of the University of Alberta, Professor Finlay is considered one of Canada's research stars. His most recent research has focused on salmonella and E.coli in our food, as well as antibiotic resistance and vaccines.

Dr. Patrick is a graduate of the University of Ottawa and UBC and is currently Director of Epidemiology Services at the CDC. His areas of interest include infectious diseases, epidemiology, and sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV.

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Dr. Ralph Yorsh Lecture

Dr. Ralph Yorsh
Vancouver, B.C.

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on **March 20, 2004** at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

**Medical Hypnosis in the 21st Century: What Can It Do For You?**

Dr. Yorsh is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan in biology, English and theatre. A dental degree from the University of Toronto was followed by 59 years in sole clinical practice. He took his basic training with the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis and has been a fellow of that organization and on their teaching faculty since 1972. For several decades, he has been using hypnosis in his practice on a daily basis and has taught this subject at UBC while lecturing locally, nationally and internationally. A veteran of Toastmasters International, he is currently listed in the Canadian Who's Who in recognition of his work in the field of medical hypnosis, a powerful tool in the field of "alternative medicine."

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Professor David Owen Norris Lecture

Professor David Owen Norris
Royal College of Music
London

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on March 27, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

What's the Point of Classical Music?

Described by the Globe & Mail in 2000 as "possibly the most interesting pianist in the world," David Owen Norris left Oxford, where he was Organ Scholar of Keble College, with First Class Honours and a Composition Scholarship. He made many hundreds of BBC programmes as a pianist before he became involved with radio presentation in 1988. He had his own series on Radio 3, "The Works," which ran for several years. One-off specials have included acclaimed programmes on Elgar and on Pianism. The Daily Telegraph called his BBC2 television documentary on period performance "the most literate and probing programme on music seen in a long while." In 1991 an American foundation appointed him the very first Gilmore Artist, after a long search amongst the world's finest pianists. This award has led to a busy international solo career, playing all over North America and Australia, and in every European country from Hungary westward.

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Professor Shelley Wachsmann Lecture

Professor Shelley Wachsmann
Dept. of Nautical Archaeology
Texas A&M University

will be addressing the Vancouver Institute on April 3, 2004 at 8:15 p.m., Lecture Hall No. 2 in the Woodward Instructional Resources Centre, University of British Columbia.

In Search of Darius' Lost Fleet: The Persian War Shipwreck Survey

Currently teaching biblical and maritime archaeology at Texas A&M's Institute of Nautical Archaeology, Professor Wachsmann has been carrying out research on underwater antiquities in the eastern Mediterranean, the Sea of Galilee (about which he talked at the Institute in 2002) and the Red Sea since 1976. He is the author of four books and numerous scientific and popular publications. His most recent book, Seagoing Ships and Seamanship in the Bronze Age Levant, was published in 1998. Professor Wachsmann is a featured grantee in National Geographic Interactive.

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