CATR 2023:

**Performing Shores / The Shores of Performance**

**Online Conference: Hosted by St Francis Xavier University and University of the Fraser Valley, June 10-12: Full Program as of June 10, 2023**

# Saturday, June 10

11:15 – 12:45 AT, 10:15 – 11:45 ET, 9:15 – 10:45 CT, 8:15 – 9:45 MT, 7:15 – 8:45 PT

### Open Paper Panel: Performing Space and Indigenous Stories

Moderator: Michelle MacArthur

* Eugenia Sojka, “Transatlantic Dialogues Between Indigenous Artists”
* Cassandre Chatonnier, “Performance as a Tool for the Reappropriation of Public Spaces by Indigenous People: The Relationship to the St. Lawrence River”

### Information Session: Hosting Your 2023-24 Event on Theatre Agora (1-Hour Session)

Presenters: Jordana Cox, Katrina Dunn, Meysam Khavari, Jake Nevins, Sima Sheybani

**12:45 – 13:00 AT BREAK**

13:00 – 15:00 AT, 12:00 – 14:00 ET, 11:00 – 13:00 CT, 10:00 – 12:00 MT, 9:00 – 11:00 PT

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### Keynote Performance and Artist’s Talkback

Conference Welcome and Land Acknowledgements, followed by a streamed performance of *KOQM* by shalan joudry (<https://www.shalanjoudry.com/koqm>) and a talkback with joudry

Moderators: Roberta Barker, Heather Davis-Fisch, and Kailin Wright

**15:00 – 15:15 AT BREAK**

15:15 – 16:45 AT, 14:15 – 15:15 ET, 13:15 – 14:45 CT, 12:15 – 13:45 MT, 11:15 – 12:45 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Open Paper Panel: Immersive Eco-Cultural Belonging

Moderator: Kailin Wright

* Helen Gilbert, “Sea Country and Saltwater Dramaturguies in Australia”
* Natalie Doonan, “Attuning to the St. Lawrence Shoreline Through Multimedia Performance”

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### Working Group: Moving Together to Reclaim and Resist (Part One: Open to all Conference Registrants)

Co-Convenors: Jenn Cole and Melissa Poll

Working Group Members: Kelsey Blair, Julie Burelle, Jill Carter, Selena Couture, Leah Decter, Virginie Magnat, Kimberley Richards, Alana Gerecke, Elan Marchinko,

Emma Morgan-Thorpe, Jimena Ortuzar, Annie Smith

**16:45 – 17:00 AT BREAK**

17:00 – 18:30 AT, 16:00 – 17:30 ET, 15:00 – 16:30 CT, 14:00 – 15:30 MT, 13:00 – 14:30 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Working Group: Moving Together to Reclaim and Resist (Part Two: Last hour open to Working Group members only)

Co-Convenors: Jenn Cole and Melissa Poll

Working Group Members: Kelsey Blair, Julie Burelle, Jill Carter, Selena Couture, Leah Decter, Virginie Magnat, Kimberley Richards, Alana Gerecke, Elan Marchinko,

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### Curated Panel: Shoring Up Age: Performing Against the Grain of Memory, Time, and the Aging Body in Contemporary Performance

* Benjamin Gillespie, “Weaving Acts of Care: Staging Age and Sexuality in the Performance Work of Lois Weaver”
* Julia Henderson, ““Dramaturgies of Assistance and Care: Using Performance to Counter the Stigma of Dementia”
* Heunjung Lee, “En/Countering Ageism Together: *All the Sex I’ve Ever Had* by Mammalian Diving Reflex”

**18:30 – 18:45 AT** BREAK

18:45 – 20:15 AT, 17:45 – 19:15 ET, 16:45 – 18:15 CT, 15:45 – 17:15 MT, 14:45 – 16:15 PT

## Plenary Session

### Launch: Launch of *Theatre Research in Canada/Recherches théâtrales au Canada (TRiC/RTaC)* 43.2 and 44.1 and *CTR* 191

### Naila Keleta-Mae, Co-Editor, *TRiC/RTaC,* with contributors to *TRiC/RTaC* 43.2 and 44.1

Heather Davis-Fisch, Editor, *CTR*, with Yasmine Kandil and Taiwo Afolabi, co-editors of *CTR* 191

# Sunday, June 11

**10:00 – 11:30 AT,** 9:00 – 10:30 ET, 8:00 – 9:30 CT, 7:00 – 8:30 MT, 6:00 – 7:30 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Task Force on Precarity—Unpacking the Heavy Backpack: Mental Health For Precarious Scholars

Featuring: Ali Joy Richardson, RCTC

Task Force Co-Convenors: Neil Silcox and Jacquey Taucar

### Open Paper Panel: Shorelines of Health, Accessibility, and Theatre

Moderator: Roberta Barker

* Michaela Hill and Hartley Jafine, “Breaking Down the Boundaries Between Health and Law through Theatre: A Research- Based Play on Medical Assistance in Dying”
* Jenn Boulay, “Accessibility is Communication: Embedding Accessibility into the Script”

**11:30 – 11:45 AT** **BREAK**

11:45 – 13:15 AT, 10:45 – 12:15 ET, 9:45 – 11:15 CT, 8:45 – 10:15 MT, 7:45 – 9:15 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Working Group: Digital Performance (Part One) (Open to all conference participants)

Co-Convenors: Shana MacDonald and Kim McLeod

Working Group Members: Naomi Bennett, Michael Bergmann, David Bobier, Taylor Graham, Tara Harris, Peter Kuling, Laura Levin, Mark Lipton, Jayna Mees, Catherine Quirk, Sebastian Samur, Michael Wheeler

### Performance: Tuning Across Distant Shores

Presenters: Natalie Doonan, Misha Myers, and Laura Nanni

**13:15 - 13:30 AT BREAK**

13:30 – 15:00 AT, 12:30 – 14:00 ET, 11:30 – 13:00 CT, 10:30 – 12:00 MT, 9:30 – 11:00 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Performance: Seaside Words for the Disappearing Girl

Convenor / Creator: Christine Mazumdar

Performers: Christine Mazumdar and Jenn Cole

### Working Group: Digital Performance (Part Two) (Open to all conference participants)

Co-Convenors: Shana MacDonald and Kim McLeod

Working Group Members: Naomi Bennett, Michael Bergmann, David Bobier, Taylor Graham, Tara Harris, Peter Kuling, Laura Levin, Mark Lipton, Jayna Mees, Catherine Quirk, Sebastian Samur, Michael Wheeler

**15:00 – 15:15 AT BREAK**

15:15 – 16:45 AT, 14:15 – 15:15 ET, 13:15 – 14:45 CT, 12:15 – 13:45 MT, 11:15 – 12:45 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Longtables: Curating Safe Spaces (Affinity Groups)

CATR Conduct Committee (Convenors): Jill Carter, Selena Couture, Andrew Houston, and Signy Lynch

*ALL CATR conference attendees warmly invited to participate*

### Open Paper Panel: Methodologies for a Shifting World

Moderator: Kailin Wright

* Virginie Magnat, “Shifting Shores: Learning from the Teachings of the Pandemic and the Climate Crisis”
* Sami Wymes, “Stranded Between the Shores of Gender? Performing Nonbinary Identities Beyond Resignification”

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## Plenary Session

### Professional Development Workshop: Creating a Conference Abstract (Open to all conference registrants)

Workshop Leaders: Marlis Schweitzer, Jenn Stephenson

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## Plenary Session

### Open Paper Panel: Unsettling Power

Moderator: Robin Whittaker

* Steve Donnelly, “(Un)settler Ecologies: interrogating contemporary settler site-based praxis through immersive improvisatory performance strategies”
* Jimena Ortuzar, “*A Home for Our Migrations*: Remapping the Routes of Hemispheric Collaborations”
* Matt Jones, “Shakespeare in Guantánamo”

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# Monday, June 12

10:00 – 11:30 AT, 9:00 – 10:30 ET, 8:00 – 9:30 CT, 7:00 – 8:30 MT, 6:00 – 7:30 PT

## Concurrent Sessions

### Working Group: Somatic Engagement

### Discussion: “Somatics and Community” (Open to all Conference Registrants)

Co-Convenors: Christine (cricri) Bellerose and Ursula (Ulla) Neuerburg-Denzer

Working Group Members: Naomi Bennett, Jenn Boulay, Eury Chang (†), Stephen Donnelly, Tracey Guptill, Mark Lipton, Virginie Magnat, Gabriela Petrov

### Roundtable: Puppet Theory

Co-Convenors: Dawn Tracey Brandes and Gabriel Levine

Participants: Kate Sloan Fiffer, Amanda Petefish-Schrag, Larry Switzky, Marilo Nunez

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## Concurrent Sessions

### Open Paper Panel: Audiences and Affective Shorelines

Moderator: Natalie Rewa

* Marcia Blumberg, “*The Island*: Performing *The Trial of Antigone* at a Robben Island Prison Concert”
* Dennis D. Gupa, “Fishing Method as a Framework of Community-Based-Performance Creation: Applied Theatre in the Aftermath of Climate Disaster”

### Workshop: CATR Anti-Racism/Anti-Oppression Committee

Committee Chair and Convenor: Robin Whittaker

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### Keynote:

Mique’l Dangeli and Mike Dangeli (Git Hayetsk Dancers), “Dancing Sovereignty”

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## Concurrent Sessions

### Roundtable: The Development and Ongoing Work of Edmonton’s Script Salon – The Shore Between the Work of Playwrights and the Production of Their Plays

Convenor: Annie Smith

Panelists: Tracy Carroll, Moira Day, Katherine Koller, Conni Massing, Anne Nothof, Jenn Taylor

### Professional Development Session: Journal Editors’ Online Office Hours

* With:
	+ Nicole Nolette, Co-Editor, *Theatre Research in Canada/Recherches Théâtrales au Canada*, 15:15-16:45 AT / 11:15-12:00 PT, joined by...
	+ Selena Couture, Associate Outreach Editor, *Theatre Research in Canada/Recherches Théâtrales au Canada*, 15:30-16:00 AT / 11:30-12:00 PT
* and:
	+ Heather Davis-Fisch, Canadian Theatre Review, 16:00 - 16:45 AT / 12:00-12:45 PT

*All CATR members are welcome to drop in to discuss submissions for, or questions about, these leading journals in Canadian Theatre and Performance Studies!*

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## Plenary Session

### Longtable: Curating Safe Spaces (Plenary Session Part One)

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### Longtable: Curating Safe Spaces (Plenary Session Part Two)

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