

# BrockNews

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A NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF AT BROCK UNIVERSITY, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO

## New Master of Applied Disability Studies program launched

A newly created graduate program in Applied Disability Studies at Brock will provide education and training that is particularly suitable for specialists currently working in the field.

The Master of Applied Disability Studies (MADS) with a specialization in Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) is the first graduate program of its kind in Ontario. It is administered by the Applied Disability Program in the Faculty of Social Sciences.

The degree will allow students and working professionals the opportunity to apply for certification as a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst by the Behaviour Analyst Certification Board (BACB) in the U.S. (Ontario will soon be implementing a co-ordinated certification process with BACB to establish Ontario ABA certification).

"The University established the Applied Disability Studies Program to meet the growing need for professionals in the disabilities and ABA fields," says Maurice Feldman, Graduate Program Director for the Applied Disabilities Studies Program. "Ontario funds nine regional Intensive Behaviour Intervention programs for about 1,000 children with autism and ABA is its primary teaching and therapeutic modality. There is also a need for ABA professionals in special education, children's mental health, acquired brain injury, and other disability-related fields."

The program has accepted 60 students into the first year of the specialized master's degree. Many students are currently working as senior or instructor therapists in Intensive Behaviour Intervention programs or as behaviour consultants and therapists in Community Behavioural Programs.

For more information, visit [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

## Mark Your Calendar!

Brock's annual Fall Preview Day will be held on Sunday, Nov. 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. This event is held for prospective students, parents and the general public. Fall Preview Day is a critical part of the University's recruitment process, as it occurs just before prospective students will be determining to which universities they will apply. If you have any questions about your role in Fall Preview Day, or how you can become involved, please contact Melissa Coleman at ext. 4685 or via e-mail at [mcoleman@brocku.ca](mailto:mcoleman@brocku.ca)

## Researchers recognized



Brock recognized many of its top researchers at a special luncheon held Sept. 28 in Pond Inlet. Among those recognized were Brock's eight Canada Research Chairs. Pictured, first row, from right, Kevin Kee, Digital Humanities; Melanie Pilkington, Chemistry; Terrance Wade, Youth Health and Wellness; John Bonnett, Digital Humanities. Back row, from left, Tomas Hudlicky, Green Chemistry; Vincenzo De Luca, Plant Biotechnology; Cheryl McCormick, Neuroscience; President Jack Lightstone; Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic; Charles Després, Plant Pathology; and Michael Owen, Vice-President, Research and International Development.

## New York banker receives Distinguished Graduate Award from Faculty of Business

A Brock University graduate whose workplace symbol is a red umbrella has stepped onto the red carpet rolled out annually by the University's Faculty of Business.

Stephen Young, Managing Director of Accounting Policy, Citigroup's Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB), New York, N.Y., was awarded the 2006 Distinguished Graduate Award from the Faculty at a special reception held at the Four Points Sheraton on Oct. 12. The award recognizes a graduate who has earned prominence as a result of his or her exceptional professional achievements and service to society.

Young graduated from Brock at the

top of his class in 1991 with a Bachelor of Accounting (Co-op) degree. He retained that No. 1 position when he received his Master of Accountancy degree in 1992 from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1997, he completed his PhD in Financial Economics, also from Case Western.

Young maintains his ties to Brock. He recently returned to the University to work with the Faculty of Business and the Co-op Office to develop a relationship with the Citigroup Buffalo office.

For more information, go to [www.brocku.ca](http://www.brocku.ca) and click on "More News."

## Book signing by Chancellor



Chancellor Raymond Moriyama will be on campus the afternoon of Sunday, Nov. 5 to share the publication of his new book, *In search of a soul – designing and realizing the new Canadian War Museum*. The book signing will take place in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber. Watch following issues of Brock News for more information.

## President to address Chamber of Commerce

President Jack Lightstone will address members of the St. Catharines and Thorold Chambers of Commerce on Thursday, Nov. 30 as part of a series of community visits. The luncheon meeting, also open to the public, will be held at the Quality Hotel Parkway Convention Centre, 327 Ontario St., in St. Catharines. Tickets, \$25, are available by calling Christine Alic at ext. 3245 or e-mail: [calic@brocku.ca](mailto:calic@brocku.ca)

## Professors to be honoured for teaching and research excellence

Brock University will honour three faculty members for their contributions to teaching and research as part of the second ceremony of its Fall Convocation to be held on Saturday, Oct. 21, at 2 p.m., in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium, located in the Walker Complex.

Professor **Zopito Marini** of the Department of Child and Youth Studies in the Faculty of Social Sciences, will receive the Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching, the second major award for teaching excellence he has received from Brock this year. He also received the Faculty of Social Sciences Award for Excellence in Teaching at Spring 2006 Convocation.

The Distinguished Teaching Award recognizes a faculty member who has made a significant commitment to providing and developing quality learning experiences for students, in addition to making valuable contributions in curriculum development and the mentoring of colleagues.

Professor **Nota Klentrou** from the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology and Professor **John Hay** from the Department of Community Health Sciences will receive the Brock University Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity. This award recognizes faculty members who demonstrate outstanding research achievements, contributions toward the training of future researchers, and consistency in scholarly or creative performance.

"These professors are extremely deserving of this recognition, and we are very proud of their outstanding accomplishments" says Terry Boak, Vice-President, Academic and Provost. "They are widely respected on both the national and international stages for their work in their respective fields, and for providing quality teaching and research experiences for undergraduate and graduate students. Their exceptional teaching, research and leadership skills reflect well on the overall teaching excellence and research quality for which Brock is well known."

Brock's 2006 Fall Convocation will be celebrated during ceremonies taking place on Friday, Oct. 20, and Saturday, Oct. 21. The University's fifth President and Vice-Chancellor, Jack N. Lightstone, will officially be installed at the Friday ceremony. The University will confer 715 undergraduate and graduate degrees from all six Faculties, during its Fall 2006 Convocation. These ceremonies will also mark the last convocation for Dr. Raymond Moriyama as Brock's Chancellor. Moriyama will complete his term as Chancellor on March 31, 2007.

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# image and imagery conference on literature and the arts

## Disguise, Deception, Trompe l'Oeil

exploring intersections of visual, textual, and oral modes of artistic expression

This is the fourth in a series of conferences devoted to exploring intersections of visual, textual, and oral modes of artistic expression. The theme of this year's event is "Disguise, Deception, Trompe l'Oeil," and takes place on Friday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Papers deal with such topics as hidden meanings, subterfuge, masking and veiling in literature and art, from classical antiquity to modern times. Friday's guest speaker is Jeremy Campbell, a graduate of Oxford University and visiting scholar at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. A former Washington correspondent with *The London Evening Standard*, he is the author of several books, including *Grammatical Man*, *The Improbable Machine*, and

*The Liar's Tale*. His lecture, "Falsehood as a Work of Art," will take place in the Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber from 5 to 6 p.m. Saturday's guest speaker is Maurice Yacowar, former Dean of Humanities at Brock University and currently Professor in the Department of English at University of Calgary. His books include *The Sopranos on the Couch: Analyzing TV's Greatest Series*, *Loser Take All: The Comic Art of Woody Allen*, and *Hitchcock's British Films*. His lecture, titled "Famous Film Failures: Our Lapse in 'Poetic Faith'," will also take place in Dr. Charles A. Sankey Chamber, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. All students and faculty are welcome to attend. To see the full program, please consult the website at [www.brocku.ca/humanities/Imagery\\_IV\\_Program.pdf](http://www.brocku.ca/humanities/Imagery_IV_Program.pdf)

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## Do you know a Grade 9 student?

On Wednesday, Nov. 1, thousands of Grade 9 students across Ontario will spend a day at work shadowing a parent, relative, friend or volunteer host. The experience assists students in understanding the importance of staying in school, helps them to gain an appreciation for making a living and supporting a family, and to help students make links between education and their future.

Brock's involvement in the program is a great way to highlight the diversity of roles at the University, and to develop connections with these future Brock students. Human Resources and Environment, Health and Safety are currently planning an interesting and informative day of programming for this event that includes mandatory health and safety training, a scavenger hunt, and tours in the morning, followed by an afternoon of job shadowing with their Brock parent or sponsor.

If you know a Grade 9 student and would like to be his or her host, please contact Kim Yielding at [kyielding@brocku.ca](mailto:kyielding@brocku.ca) or ext. 3023 to register.

## D.G. Willmot Distinguished Lecture Series



Chantal Hebert

The Faculty of Business is pleased to present the 2006 D.G. Willmot Distinguished Lecture Series on Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre.

Chantal Hebert, political raconteur and columnist, will present "A Federal Progress Report."

Herbert will tackle questions and issues around topics including health care, nationalism, and party politics at the federal level.

Herbert is a national affairs writer for the *Toronto Star* based on Parliament Hill, as well as a guest columnist with the Montreal daily *Le Devoir* and a regular commentator on CBC's *The National's* weekly At Issue panel. She is the recipient of APEX's Public-Service Citation as well as the 2006 recipient of the Hyman Solomon award for excellence in journalism and public policy.

Admission is free. However, tickets are required. Call the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 for tickets.

## Senate News

The 541st meeting of the Brock University Senate was held on Sept. 27, 2006. During the meeting, Senate approved:

- the Fall Convocation Degrees for 2006;
- that the Faculty Handbook Section II:9 be amended to include the Terms of Reference for the Teaching and Learning Policy Committee and the Terms of Reference for the Research and Scholarship Policy Committee;
- that the Brock University Students' Union Vice-President, University Affairs become an ex officio voting member of Senate and that the Faculty Handbook Section II: 1.5 be amended accordingly;
- the revised 2006-07 Graduate Calendar entry for the Chemistry

- graduate program;
  - the 2006-07 Graduate Calendar entry for the Applied Disability graduate program;
  - the addition of CHYS 5P41 and 5P42 to the graduate studies course bank, and;
  - accepted the Academic Program Review of the Department of Psychology;
  - received a Report from the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee which noted that the Master of Applied Disability Studies and the PhD in Chemistry had received approval by the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies.
- Full details of Senate meetings are available at: [www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate](http://www.brocku.ca/secretariat/senate)

## In Memoriam

On Sept. 29, 2006, Professor John Michielsen, Brock colleague in the former department of Germanic and Slavic Studies, passed away peacefully at his home in Montreal. He had just celebrated his 64th birthday.

In his scholarly career of more than 25 years at Brock University, John was an active teacher and researcher with acumen, clarity of thought and a finely honed sense of justice and fair play. His years of dedication to our community were reflected in his service as a Senator, his terms as Chair of Germanic and Slavic Studies and as Resident Director of the Freiburg Exchange Programme on site in Germany. Not only did he contribute significantly

to the field of Germanistik in his field of 19th-century literature (Theodor Storm and Fontane), he also embraced an acquired expertise in detective fiction (Jan van de Wetering). John was a founding member of the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Netherlandic Studies (CAANS). His learned contributions to the CAANS journal were balanced by his terms as president and as a member of the editorial board of the journal.

Professor Michielsen is survived by his wife, Dr. Trudy Michielsen, his children Emma, Dennis, Dan, and Dean, and his several grandchildren.

- Professor Barry Joe

## Mediataalk People in the news

Associate Professor **Danny Rosenberg** from the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology was recently interviewed by the *Niagara Falls Review*: "Going beyond the game's boundaries," and *St. Catharines Standard*: "Deep thoughts on sports," about the 34th annual meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS) hosted by the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences in Niagara Falls, Ont., from Sept. 14 to 17. In the *Review* story, Rosenberg notes that "We look at the meaning, the values of it [sport] and the principals [sic] of the human experience in sports and what sport can contribute to the good of society and human nature."

Vice-President of University Affairs for BUSU, **Brad Humble**, and **Dean David Siegel** from the Faculty of Social Sciences, were interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about engaging students to vote in municipal elections, entitled "Election? What election?"

Research on the way that accountants are portrayed in the movies conducted by Associate Professor of Accounting, **Sandra Felton**, along with Tony Dimnik from the Queen's School of Business, was recently featured in the Oct. 2 issue of the *Globe and Mail*.

The reference to Felton's research appeared in reporter Harvey Schacter's, column "Monday Morning Manager," under the heading "Accountants: Change the stereotype." After viewing more than 300 films, Felton and her fellow researcher concluded that that portrayal of accountants in movies is quite diverse and often sympathetic. Accountants are frequently shown as winners in love and have been represented by five different stereotypes: dreamers, plodders, eccentrics, heroes and villains.

Professor of Geography, **Hugh Gayler**, was interviewed by the *St. Catharines Standard* for a story about population trends in the Niagara Region that appeared in the newspaper's Sept. 29 issue, entitled "More coming that going in Niagara." The article makes reference to a new Statistics Canada study that shows that almost 1,700 more people moved to Niagara in 2004-05 than moved out, and most of them are working adults between 25 and 64 years of age. From an urban development perspective, Gayler noted that an area with a college and a university should be pulling in more 20-somethings and thinks decision-makers still need to focus on turning graduates into permanent residents.

Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education, **Darlene Ciuffetelli-Parker**, was interviewed for an article about language education - "Can Kids Talk the Talk?" - that appeared in the Sept. 1 editions of the North Toronto weekly newspapers *North York Post*, *Thornhill Post* and *Richmond Hill Post*. Addressing the issue of multilingual education in the article, Ciuffetelli-Parker notes that a key question for parents to ask themselves is whether the multiple language experience can easily be incorporated into that child's way of life, culture and knowledge.

**Les McCurdy-Myers**, manager of Personal Counselling and Leadership Services at Brock, was interviewed for a story about resolving conflict via e-mail - "Spousal e-mails: shifting the battlefield to the keyboard resolves conflict" - that appeared in the September issue of *Niagara Magazine*.

In the article, McCurdy-Myers notes that "Using e-mail to carry on a contentious discussion removes the meta messages [words, tones of voice] from the equation, allowing you to focus on what's being said and how. It also allows time for a more carefully considered response."

# Brock Briefs

## Demonstration cooking — Zambia

The Office of International Services invites the Brock community to a cooking demonstration on Thursday, Oct. 26, presented by Audrey Njovu, a student from Zambia. The menu includes lamb stew with plain rice. This is a free event and all are cordially invited. Enrolment is limited to 10 people. Please RSVP to ext. 3163. The event runs from 12 noon to 1pm.

Watch out for the next cooking demonstration on Bulgaria!

## Health Fair 2006

Mark your calendars for Health Fair 2006. The event will be held Monday, Nov. 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ian Beddis Gymnasium. Watch Brock News for more details.

## MA thesis defences

Interdisciplinary MA in Popular Culture student Laura Taylor will defend her thesis, entitled "Metal Music as Critical Dystopia: Humans, Technology and the Future in 1990s Science Fiction Metal," on Friday, Oct. 20 in WH147. Supervisor: Barry Grant; Second Reader: Nick Baxter-Moore; Committee Member: James Allard, Department of English; External Examiner: Susan Fast, Associate Professor of Music, McMaster University.

Psychology student Jessica Rourke will

defend her thesis, entitled "Towards the Development of a Questionnaire of Forgiveness-seeking Motives and Behaviours," Wednesday, Nov. 1, at 9:30 a.m. in WH147. Supervisor: Kathryn Belicki; External Examiner: Virginia Todd Holeman from Asbury Theological Seminary in Kentucky. Dr. Holeman will be participating in the defence via video conferencing. Everyone welcome to attend.

## Mothers and daughters study

A research group is inviting mothers and one of their adult daughters to talk about the help, advice, and support that they give to and receive from one another. Participation takes two hours and will involve interviews and questionnaires. Mothers must be over the age of 65 and living independently. Each woman will receive \$40 for taking part. Please call ext. 4996 or e-mail: familylab@brocku.ca for more information. This study has been reviewed and received clearance from the Brock University Ethics Board (file #04-294).

## Study looking for participants

A current research study is looking for post-menopausal women (55-70 years old) to participate in balance and exercise testing. If interested, please contact Michael Moore at ext. 4902. This study has been reviewed and received clearance from the Brock University Ethics Board (file #05-345).

## Alphie's extended hours

Looking for a place to meet colleagues for that casual meeting or to simply unwind after work? Alphie's will begin offering extended hours to 6:30 p.m., each Wednesday to Friday, beginning today. Watch for more information on specials and upcoming events to be circulated soon.

Alphie's is open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday to Friday, with daily lunch specials now available. Call ext. 3975 for information or to make reservations.

Interested in booking Alphie's for your special catered event outside of regular Alphie's hours? Simply call Catering at ext. 4516.

## International exchange information meetings

The Office of International Services will be hosting the following information sessions on international exchange opportunities next week. Please take an opportunity to inform any students who may be interested:

- Oct. 24: 2 p.m. – United Kingdom; 3 p.m. – Sweden; 3:30 p.m. – Continental Europe
- Oct. 25: 2 p.m. – United States; 3 p.m. – Latin America; 4 p.m. – Africa
- Oct. 26: 2 p.m. – Japan; 2:30 p.m. – South Korea and Hong Kong

All meetings will be held in DeCew Residence R208.

## United Way Employee Campaign to Start Soon

The 2006 United Way employee campaign is set to kick off on Monday, Oct. 30. The campaign will run through the month of November, featuring many popular and exciting events, incentive prizes, and fun ways to donate. Stay tuned to the Brock Portal and the Brock United Way website at [www.brocku.ca/unitedway](http://www.brocku.ca/unitedway) for further details.

## Workshop on artists' gardens

Sharilyn J. Ingram, Director of the School of Fine and Performing Arts (and former president and CEO of Royal Botanical Gardens), will be co-presenting a workshop on Artists' Gardens with Elizabeth Chitty, executive director of the St. Catharines and Area Arts Council, at the Studio Gallery in Rodman Hall Arts Centre on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5, or free to members of the Arts Council.

## New exhibit at Rodman Hall

The Department of Visual Arts and the School of Fine and Performing Arts is pleased to announce guest artist Ed Pien who will be delivering a lecture in conjunction with his exhibition "Tracing Night" at Rodman Hall Arts Centre on Friday, Oct. 20, from 1 to 3 p.m. Community members are welcome to attend his talk. The exhibit runs until Dec. 30.

## Youth University promotes group engagement in community building program



In the fall of 2005, a collaborative research project was undertaken between the Centre of Excellence for Youth Engagement (COE-YE) and Youth University at Brock to explore youth engagement in the context of an experiential-based community building program. Approximately 90 students from four Grade 5 and 6 classes at two schools participated in the study – two classes (one from each school) attended the program, and two classes acted as control groups. Surveys were completed by all students before the program, immediately after the Youth University program, and approximately two months later.

One of the measures under study was a composite rating of group engagement. This composite measure

was made up of the a series of questions generated from group development research.

It was found that students who attended the Youth University Community Building Program reported higher levels of group engagement both directly after the program as well as two months later at followup.

This fall Youth University is expecting more than 1,000 Grades 5 to 8 students to attend the Community Building Program with their class. Classes will come from as far away as Fort Erie, Brantford, and Toronto. For more information on this study, call ext. 3120 or e-mail: [youthuniversity@brocku.ca](mailto:youthuniversity@brocku.ca)

## Events

**Brock University Film Society (BUFS):** Oct. 22 BUFS presents Woody Allen's *Scoop*, and on Oct. 29 *The Proposition*, written by Nick Cave. On Nov. 5, *Riding Alone For Thousands of Miles*, directed by Zhang Yimou (*Hero*, *The House of Flying Daggers*) will be presented. *Half Nelson*, winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival, stars Ryan Gosling (*The Notebook*) and shows on Nov. 12. All films play at 7 p.m. in the David S. Howes Theatre. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through the Brock Centre for the Arts Box Office. Prices are \$6 for BUFS members and students, \$8 for non-members. Memberships are also available through the Centre for the Arts. Call Amanda Bishop at ext. 3553 for more information.

**Chemistry Department Fall Seminar Series:** Friday, Oct 20: Dr. Harold Stover, McMaster University, will be speaking on "Polymer Microspheres." Friday, Oct 27: Dr. Adrian Schwan, University of Guelph, will be speaking on "New chemistry of sulfenic acid anions and the preparation of an isotopically labeled surfactant." The location for all talks is MC H313 at 12 noon.

**Department of Classics:** Dr. John Vanderspoel, University of Calgary, will present a public lecture entitled "Swampland and Snake Oil: Charlatans in the Roman Empire" on Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 2 to 3 p.m. in TH 257. This event is sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Classical Association of Canada.

Dr. Samuel M. Paley, Department of Classics, University of Buffalo, SUNY, will be presenting a public lecture on Sunday, Oct. 29, entitled "The Nimrud Citadel Virtual Reality Project" at 3 p.m. in AS 215. This event is sponsored by the Department of Classics and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Please contact the Department of Classics at ext. 3575 or at [www.brocku.ca/classics](http://www.brocku.ca/classics) for further information. These events are free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend.

**Niagara Symphony:** The Niagara Symphony's 2006-2007 Concert Season is now underway. Complete concert details can be found on the website at [www.niagarasympphony.org](http://www.niagarasympphony.org). Single ticket and subscription information is available through the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257 for both the Masterwork and Pops Concerts. Subscribers can save up to 25 per cent, park for free and sit in the best seats in the house for the entire season!

**Music@Noon:** Department of Music Performance Students, Tuesday, Oct. 24; and Instrumental Students, Tuesday, Oct. 31. Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, 12 noon, free and open to the public. Treat yourself to a midday music break.

**Department of Music Choral Series:** The Department of Music opens this year's Choral Series on Sunday, Oct. 29, with a performance by the Strata Choir of Hamilton. Their program, entitled "Choose Something Like a Star," consists of a rich array of vocal music inspired by fine poetry. The concert will be held at Concordia Lutheran Seminary Chapel, situated on the Brock University campus, at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$15 and tickets are available for purchase from the Centre for the Arts Box Office at ext. 3257, and at the door.

**ENCORE! Music Series:** "Hot, engaging, full of surprises" That's how audiences describe one of Canada's most irrepressible talents, the dual trumpet and piano virtuoso, Guy Few. The Department of Music presents Guy Few on Friday, Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Tickets available through the Box Office at ext. 3257. "...one of the most brilliant Canadian brass players of his generation." *The Toronto Star*

**Department of Child and Youth Studies Speaker's Series:** Thursday, Oct. 19: Shauna Pomerantz, Brock University, "Welcome to the Jungle: Girls, Power, and Post/Feminism in Popular Culture." Thursday, Oct. 26: Zopito Marini, Brock University, "A biopsychosocial perspective on students bullying experiences: pathways linking temperament subtypes to bullying." All presentations begin at 10 a.m. in TH 245. For further information, contact Tom O'Neill at [toneill@brocku.ca](mailto:toneill@brocku.ca)

**Applied Health Sciences Lecture:** Wednesday, Oct. 25: "Health and Society: The Determinants of Health of Individuals and Populations," will be presented by Maurizio Trevisan, MD, MS, University of Buffalo and sponsored by the Faculty of Applied Health Sciences and Community Health Sciences. The event runs from 1 to 2 p.m. in AS 203.

**Centre for the Arts:** All performances begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise noted. For tickets and more information, please call the Box Office at ext. 3257, or visit [www.arts.brocku.ca](http://www.arts.brocku.ca)

Upcoming events for October and November: Sarah Harmer, Oct. 18; Electric Company Theatre: *Brilliant! The Blinding Enlightenment of Nikola Tesla*, Oct. 19; jacksoul with DK Ibomeka, Oct. 21; Sho, Mo & the Monkey Bunch (for ages 4+), Oct. 22; Ballet Jörgen: *Cinderella* (David S. Howes Theatre), Oct. 28; Juan de Marcos Afro-Cuban All Stars, Nov. 2; The Philosopher Kings with James Bryan, Nov. 3; *An Evening with Groucho* (David S. Howes Theatre), Nov. 25; Chantal Kreviazuk with Raine Maida, Nov. 29; Classic Albums Live: Led Zeppelin – *Led Zeppelin II*, Nov. 30.

## Faculty and Staff

### CHEMISTRY

**Costa Metallinos** gave a talk entitled "Reduction of Substituted Phenanthrolines as a Route to Chiral Benzimidazolylidenes" at the 89th Canadian Society for Chemistry Conference, held in Halifax, N.S., from May 27 to 31.

**Yuri Kandrashkin** presented a poster at the Asia-Pacific EPR/ESR Symposium 2006, Novosibirsk, Russia, Aug. 24 to 27, 2006. The paper, entitled "Novel Intramolecular Electron Transfer in Axial Bis(terpyridoxy) phosphorus(V) Porphyrin Studied by Time-Resolved EPR Spectroscopy," was co-authored by Kandrashkin, Poddutoori Prashanth Kumar, **Art van der Est**, and published in the *Book of Abstracts* on p. 115

**Paul Zelisko** presented a talk at the 232nd ACS National Meeting in San Francisco held Sept, 10 to 14, 2006. The paper, entitled "Trypsin-catalyzed cross-linking of a,w-triethoxysilyl-terminated polydimethylsiloxane: An experimental and computational approach," was co-authored by Zelisko, **T.C. Dudding**, K.R. Arnelien, and H. Stanisic.

### COMMUNICATIONS, POPULAR CULTURE, AND FILM

**Andy Bennett** gave a keynote presentation at the biennial conference of the U.K. and Ireland branch of the International Association for the Study of Popular Music (IASPM), held at the University of Birmingham, U.K., from Sept. 1 to 3. The title of Bennett's paper was "Popular music and the aging fan."

### COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES

**Ana L. Sanchez** was invited to present two talks at the conference "Implementing a Global Campaign for Combating Cysticercosis," held at the Rockefeller Foundation International Conference Center, in Bellagio, Italy from Sept. 19 to 22. The talks, delivered in collaboration with Mexican and Australian researchers were entitled "North & Central America Cysticercosis/Taeniosis Research Inventory" and "Vaccines for Porcine Cysticercosis."

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

**Gregory Betts** published an interview with the Contemporary Canadian experimental poet Christian Bök in *Open Letter* (12.9 Summer 2006). The article is titled "Welcome, Human, 'The Cyborg Opera': An Interview with Christian Bök." On Aug. 25, he also organized the first literary event to ever take place in Dundas Square in Toronto, featuring two-time Juno Award winning poet Lillian Allen as well as Paul Dutton and many others.

### MATHEMATICS

**Hichem Ben-El-Mechaiekh** presented an invited talk, entitled: "The Von Neumann-Sion Minimax Theorem: A Circular Tour" at the Gilles Fournier Memorial Conference on Classical and Computational Topological Methods, held in Sherbrooke, Que., from Sept. 22 to 24. The paper was jointly authored with **Robert Dimand** from the Department of Economics.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Livianna Tossutti** gave a presentation on Sept. 29 to the Chief Electoral Officer of Canada, the Deputy Chief Electoral Officer of Canada, and senior staff at Elections Canada, on the electoral participation of immigrants and ethnocultural communities in Canada, and on outreach efforts directed towards these groups in 25 Canadian and international jurisdictions.

Tosutti also presented a paper with Osvaldo Croci, Memorial University, entitled "Elite Perceptions of Security Threats," at the Second Workshop, Perception of Security Threats and Institutional Responses in G-8 countries and the European Union, organized by the University of Essex, Palma Mallorca, Spain, from Oct. 5 to 8.

### PRE-SERVICE EDUCATION

**Debra McLaughlan** served as a juror and respondent at the American Alliance of Theatre and Education (AATE) Distinguished Thesis and Dissertation Award in Washington, D.C., July 27 to 30.

### PSYCHOLOGY

**John Mitterer** attended an international conference in honor of the 80th Anniversary of Athens College, in Athens, Greece, from Sept. 29 to Oct. 1. The conference theme was "The Prospects and Possibilities for Creating Learning Societies in an Age of Uncertainty and Insecurity." While there, he delivered an invited plenary address, entitled "From Socrates to Web 2.0: Uncertainty, digital technology and postmodernity." He also consulted extensively with interested faculty and staff of Athens College on the role of digital technology in teaching, capped by a campus-wide presentation, entitled "Using Technology to Foster Cognitive Apprenticeship in Large Classes."

### RECREATION AND LEISURE STUDIES

**Shalini Singh** delivered several guest lectures in Leisure, Tourism and Environment in Wageningen University (WU), The Netherlands, from Sept. 17 to 23. These lectures were part of the MSc courses offered by the Socio-Spatial Analysis Chairgroup (SRA), WU, and World Leisure's International Centre of Excellence. The lectures were titled: "Indian Travel & Tourism: Performance, Policy and Pitfalls," "Indian Domestic Tourism: The Conventional and the Contemporary," "Leisure in the Indian Value System," and "Interpretations of Leisure: Cross-cultural Philosophies."

### VISUAL ARTS

**Keri Cronin** presented a paper, entitled "Science on a Salad Plate?: Representations of Natural History Through the Canadian State Dinner Service Project" at the Society for the History of Natural History Conference held in Montreal from Sept. 21 to 24.

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## Third annual Triggs Lecture a success

Australian viticultural expert Dianne Davidson was the guest speaker at the third annual Triggs Vinifera Lecture series held Sept. 7 at Brock. Her natural charm and depth of knowledge impressed many representatives of the local grape and wine industry as she spoke about the issues facing Australia regarding current grape surpluses and falling tonnage prices. "It is refreshing to hear someone speak so candidly about such a major issue," commented Paul Speck of Henry of Pelham Winery at the public lecture.

Davidson warned that any industry, regardless of the size, that did not actively monitor the market and make the necessary supply corrections was in peril of falling in the same trap as the Australians. Still, her sites were on the long term as she remarked, "it's all about cycles. It always has been. We just need to understand, moderate and manage the lows as well as the highs."

Davidson is one of Australia's most experienced viticulturalists having worked in the Australian Wine Industry since 1975. She established Davidson Viticultural Consulting Services in 1987 and is the company's managing director.

## Forty-five years of collecting on display

One hundred and six of the finest works in the collection of Rodman Hall Arts Centre - from the most iconic and best-loved, to new pieces on view in the gallery for the first time - are now on view in the parlour of the historic home and on the second floor.

Since the earliest donations and purchases, Rodman Hall's permanent collection has grown to include more than 850 paintings, drawings, prints and sculptures. Curated by assistant curator Marcie Bronson, this exhibition features historical and modern works from Rodman Hall's permanent collection.

Dramatically installed from floor to ceiling in the tradition of the French Salon, *Forty-Five Years of Collecting: Selections from the Permanent Collection* shows the breadth and the depth of collecting at Rodman Hall over the last half century.

The exhibit runs through winter 2007.