

# BrockNews

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

## H1N1 vaccination clinic set for Monday, Nov. 2

Approval has been given to hold an H1N1 vaccination clinic at Brock's Health Fair on Monday, Nov. 2. Students and employees are encouraged to attend and will be able to pre-register for specific time slots at [www.brocku.ca/pandemic-flu](http://www.brocku.ca/pandemic-flu)

The clinic is co-ordinated with Niagara Region Public Health and takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium. It is also open to walk-ins. Please bring your Health Card and driver's licence and wear a short-sleeved shirt in order to expedite your time.

For more info on other H1N1 vaccination clinics in Niagara being co-ordinated by Public Health, visit: [www.regional.niagara.on.ca/living/health\\_wellness/pandemic-planning/swine-flu.aspx](http://www.regional.niagara.on.ca/living/health_wellness/pandemic-planning/swine-flu.aspx)

### H1N1 update

Levels of H1N1 at Brock continue to rise. Of the confirmed cases, none have been serious enough to require hospitalization, and most have either recovered or are recovering.

Student Health Services is reminding students and staff that not everyone needs to see a doctor. If you are feeling ill, follow the relevant self-assessment resources to verify your symptoms. If you are experiencing flu-like symptoms and they are manageable, stay home. Otherwise you should call Telehealth Ontario (1-866-797-0000) or seek medical attention.

Students and staff who are home sick with flu-like symptoms are encouraged to register their illness with the University's "Got Flu" tracking channel on [my.brocku.ca](http://my.brocku.ca)

This online tracking system serves as an absence documentation system for students, faculty and staff and helps to relieve pressure on Student Health Services. Supervisors and work associates can now register ill fellow employees who may be unable to register themselves through the EmployeeAccess menu on dbBrock.

The Student Health Services H1N1 information hotline (905-688-5550, xSICK or x7425) remains available for students to call if they have any concerns or questions about H1N1. It will be answered during clinic hours and any messages will be returned.

Employees can get advice from the Niagara Region Public Health's H1N1 information line at 905-688-8248, x7950, or can direct questions to Human Resources-Environment, Health and Safety at x3994.

For H1N1 facts and what you can do to fight flu, visit Brock's Pandemic Influenza Planning website: [www.brocku.ca/pandemic-flu](http://www.brocku.ca/pandemic-flu)

### Health Fair 2009

Student Health Services will be hosting its annual Health Fair on Monday, Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium.

The Health Fair is an educational event designed to provide health information, encourage a healthy lifestyle, and help participants evaluate their own health.

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## Fall Convocation



Brock Chancellor Ned Goodman, right, congratulates honorary degree recipient Dan Patterson, President of Niagara College, during Brock's Fall Convocation on Oct. 17. In his Convocation address, Patterson urged students to remain students for life — "You will need to keep learning — as we all do — to keep pace in our ever changing world."

## Messages about life and learning resonate with graduating class of more than 700

Brock celebrated the success of more than 700 students who received degrees at the recent Fall Convocation.

Chancellor Ned Goodman delivered a message about ethics, adversity and success — three seemingly unrelated subjects that often interact. "An ethical mind helps individuals aspire to do good work that matters," he said. "But in our very busy society it is often easy to lose our way. We need the retention of an ethical compass because it is essential to your personal reputation and the health of the organization you will work for or represent."

Here are other highlights from the morning and afternoon ceremonies:

- Rudi Kroeker, Chair of the Board of Trustees, spoke about the ways in which Brock has changed students' lives — "You achieved this because someone in your life expected more from you that you did, and you made these expectations your own."

- President Jack Lightstone spoke to students about applying their knowledge acquired at Brock to the real world outside the University — "Know that our disciplines are convenient ways of focusing our analytic attentions on aspects of our

world. But the world is not contained by our disciplinary boundaries."

- undergraduate student John W. M. Henhawk and graduate student Christine Arnold received the Board of Trustees Spirit of Brock Medals.

- Professor James Mandigo, Physical Education and Kinesiology, received the Brock University Award for Distinguished Teaching. In his Convocation address, Mandigo said to students "...although we are expecting great things from each of you, we know you have the knowledge, talent, and skills to follow your dreams and be the agents of change that not only you want to see in the world, but what the world wants to see in you."

- Governor General's Silver Medals went to Tamara Foster, Biomedical Sciences, and Laura Sangster, Speech and Language Sciences, for achieving the highest academic standing at the undergraduate level.

- Professor Teena Willoughby, Psychology, received the Brock University Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity.

For more coverage of Fall Convocation, go to [brocku.ca/news/5810](http://brocku.ca/news/5810)

## Brock leads War of 1812 digitization project in Niagara

As the War of 1812 bicentennial approaches, Brock is teaming up with local heritage and educational organizations to digitize significant artefacts and records related to the era and make them available online.

Brock's Special Collections and Archives in the James A. Gibson Library applied for funding to oversee the project in collaboration with seven other cultural groups from Niagara and Ontario in October 2008. In June 2009, the University received financial support of more than \$55,000 from the Department of Canadian Heritage through the Canadian Culture Online Strategy to ensure the success of this project.

The total value of the project is more \$100,000, including the Canadian Heritage funding and in-kind contributions of the other partners. The project is set to launch in March 2010.

"Since Niagara was a major theatre of war during this conflict, we are extremely pleased to be able to play a lead role in this collaborative initiative," says David Sharron, head, Special Collections and Archives, Brock University.

As lead applicant for the 1812 Online Digitization Project, Brock will also host the completed website at the University.

Read more about the project at [brocku.ca/news/5714](http://brocku.ca/news/5714)

## Big crowd expected at Fall Preview Day

More than 3,000 prospective students and their guests will visit campus on Sunday, Nov. 8, for Brock's annual Fall Preview Day.

The event, which runs from 1 to 4 p.m., is an opportunity for prospective students and their families, and members of the community, to get a sneak peek at the Brock experience. Fall Preview Day features tours, seminars and events. Students have the chance to win free tuition for a half-credit course and the opportunity to speak with professors and students from every program and service at Brock. To register, visit <https://experience.brocku.ca> and click on "Fall Preview Day".

Interested in volunteering? Please contact Melissa Coleman, Manager, Recruitment Services, x4685; [mcoleman@brocku.ca](mailto:mcoleman@brocku.ca)

## Fixing budget will need creativity and unity: President

### Lightstone calls last year's cost-cutting measures 'a great first step'

In his first Town Hall meeting of the academic year, president Jack Lightstone on Friday urged the Brock community to unite and "get creative" to help balance the University's budget without resorting to cuts that could harm programs or quality of education.

Speaking to about 200 faculty, staff and students in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre, he praised last year's campus-wide efforts as "a great first step". Last winter and spring, faculties and

departments found a combined \$8.3 million in cost savings and new revenue enhancements, to reduce the 2009-10 estimated shortfall of over \$17 million down to \$8.9 million.

As the recession squeezes government revenues and the province's ability to sustain year-end grants, Ontario universities must find ways to balance expenses with revenues. Last year Brock opted for a strategy of closing the funding gap over a four-year economic cycle.

Lightstone said last year's result came mainly through cuts, but moving into subsequent years, long-term stability means Brock must be more flexible and

aware of opportunities for innovation, such as changes when appropriate to pedagogy and delivery.

This year the University will again look to close the gap by a further 5 per cent, with the focus being on revenue enhancements for the 2010-11 budget.

Friday's Town Hall opened what will be months of budget dialogue among administration, students, faculties and departments. Lightstone will hold a Town Hall meeting at the Hamilton campus this Friday, and the University will invite key stakeholder groups from faculty, staff, students and alumni to

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## Brock Briefs

### THESIS DEFENCES

• **Thinan Nakaprasit**, PhD student in Educational Studies, will present her thesis defence on Friday, Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. in WH 202 (Welch Hall). The title of her thesis is "Identifying Language Needs of ESL Students in a Canadian University Based Intensive English Language Program." Examining committee members are: Marilyn Rose, chair, examining committee; David Wood, Carleton University, external examiner; Merle Richards, supervisor; David Hayes, internal examiner; Patrick O'Neill and Shelley Taylor, committee members. All are welcome to attend.

### Work In Progress series

The Department of Social Justice and Equity Studies presents its Work In Progress Series, on Nov. 10. Brock's Janet Conway, Canada Research Chair in Social Justice, will speak about "The World Social Forum as 'contact zone': Cosmopolitan or Colonial?" from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in AS 427. All are invited to attend.

### CTLET upcoming events

The Centre for Teaching, Learning and Educational Technologies invites teaching assistants to the following professional development workshops:

- Helping Students Prepare for Exams, Oct. 31, 9 to 10:20 a.m., TH 253
- Respectful Work and Learning Environment, Oct. 31, 10:40 a.m. to 12 noon, TH 253
- Help Your Students Get the Most Out of the Library, Nov. 7, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, TH 253
- Entering Grades in Sakai and Gradebook, Nov. 14, 9 to 10:20 a.m., TH 253
- Issues in Academic Integrity, Nov. 14, 10:40 a.m. to 12 noon, TH 253
- TA Forum: Q and A about TAing, Nov. 21, 9 to 10:20 a.m., TH 253
- Course Closures: Ending Your Class with Class, Nov. 21, 10:40 a.m. to 12 noon, TH 253

To register online, go to workshops at [www.brocku.ca/ctlet](http://www.brocku.ca/ctlet). For additional information call x3933.

**Special CTLET presentation:** Faculty, instructors and teaching staff are invited to a presentation by Giulia Forsythe, CTLET's special projects facilitator and president of the Ontario Council of University Lifelong Learning, on Oct. 29, 2 to 4 p.m., in TH 253. In her talk, "Exploring Difference-Integrating Lifelong Learning into Universities Missions," Forsythe will give a synopsis of her recent presentation to the International Dialogue on Education, held in Berlin, Germany. She will also share some of the key insights she gained from the other international experts who attended the conference.

### Finding your voice

Continuing Education presents "The Voice Medium — Voice for Life," a new course to learn the power of your voice in order to build confidence and communication skills. The course runs on Thursdays, from Nov. 5 to Dec. 3, 6:30 to 9 p.m., at Brock University.

Instructors Barbara Worthy and Jon Osbaldeston have taught various courses at the post-secondary level. Worthy has a long, continuing association working on documentaries and dramas for *CBC Radio*, and Osbaldeston worked extensively with *BBC Radio* drama department in the U.K. Worthy and Osbaldeston are both highly respected in the fields of producing, writing, and acting.

The cost is \$159/\$149 (senior). Visit [brocku.ca/continuing-education](http://brocku.ca/continuing-education) to register online.

### Unique opportunity for MBA students

Thirteen second-year MBA ISP Co-op students will participate in the 2009-10 Canadian Chinese Finance Association (CCFA) Mentorship Program.

The partnership with CCFA was established last year. It sets up meaningful mentoring relationships between current students and CCFA members and friends who can offer advice, provide industry and business knowledge, and provide career guidance.

The majority of CCFA members are professionals from major banks and financial

institutions on Toronto's Bay Street with specialization in areas such as risk management, derivatives products, structured products and hedge fund to name a few.

"We are very pleased to be one of three schools to participate in the program," says Cindy Dunne, director, Co-operative Education. "Students have a unique opportunity to learn beyond the classroom and will benefit, in personal and career development, from a one-on-one connection with a CCFA professional."

### Professional connections

Brock's Co-op Program Office is connecting students in the Master of Business Economics (MBE) co-op program with the country's top professional business groups.

Partnerships established over the past three years have made it possible for MBE co-op students to become student members with the Canadian Association for Business Economics (CABE) and the Toronto Association for Business and Economics (TABE). These memberships provide students with access to regular professional seminars, internal job board and numerous networking opportunities with professionals from both the public and private sectors. As well, CABE representatives participate in the University's Graduate Pre-Employment Workshop Series and a number of their members have become co-op employers.

"The board directors of CABE say that Brock stands out among other universities for its commitment to support students in their professional career development and planning," says Cindy Dunne, director, Co-operative Education. "They take a very special interest in our students and their future success."

Most recently, CABE upgraded local chapter student membership to the national level at no cost. The association also created an online system for students to post CVs and boost employment opportunities with member businesses.

### FIPPA orientation for employees now online

Faculty and staff are invited to complete the new online Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy employee orientation at [www.brocku.ca/university-secretariat/orientation](http://www.brocku.ca/university-secretariat/orientation). The 10-minute online orientation focuses on highlights of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA), employee roles and responsibilities, and some best practices to help you fulfill your responsibilities as a Brock employee. The orientation also includes a questionnaire consisting of 10 true or false questions to help you review the material. For more information, please contact Marion Hansen, Freedom of Information and Privacy co-ordinator, at [mhansen@brocku.ca](mailto:mhansen@brocku.ca) or x5380.

### MBA FOR A DAY

The Faculty of Business presents MBA for a Day, an interactive on-campus open house designed to help students learn more about our part-time and full-time MBA options.

The event will be held on Sunday, Nov. 8, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., in Taro Hall.

Featured activities include:

- meet faculty, staff, students and alumni
- obtain admissions information
- learn more about our part-time and full-time MBA specializations in General Management, Finance, Marketing, Human Resources and Accounting (CMA/MBA option) as well as co-op and the semester abroad program
- attend MBA mini-classes and tour the campus

Students should reserve a spot by contacting Andrea Johnson at 905-688-5550 x5362, or going online at [www.bus.brocku.ca/gradstudents/](http://www.bus.brocku.ca/gradstudents/)

Students who do not have an account in the Graduate Student Information System, can sign up for one. They may then RSVP by sending a note through the Questions and Answers section of the portal.



John Kaethler, director, International Services, (second from left), with ELAP students, from left, Indira Coleby, Renbert Mortimer and Jose Berra Perez.

## Exchange students from the Americas part of emerging leaders scholarship program

Last month, three undergraduate students, Jose Berra Perez from Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla, Indira Coleby and Renbert Mortimer from the College of the Bahamas, arrived at Brock University for a short-term exchange.

The exchanges are made possible through the pilot project Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program (ELAP). The project was announced by Prime Minister Stephen Harper during the Summit of the Americas in April 2009.

The program is facilitated through institutional collaborations and student exchange agreements between Canadian and regional institutions. The goal of this scholarship program is to support the development of human capital and promote a next generation of Leaders in the Americas while strengthening linkages between post-secondary institutions in the regions and those in Canada.

While at Brock, students will be introduced to Canadian models and expertise

in their academic areas of study.

Next term, the University will welcome two graduate students as recipients of ELAP scholarships. They will undertake research internships supervised by Brock faculty members.

Sandy Morales from one of our newer partner institutions, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana in Bogotá, Colombia, will join Professor Maria del Carmen Suescun Pozas, Department of History, to work on an existing research project in the area of memory, justice and reparation in Canadian scholarship and the Colombian diaspora.

Rafael Bovo from Universidade Estadual Paulista in Sao Paulo, Brazil will join Professor Glenn Tattersall, Department of Biological Sciences, to conduct research in the area of thermoregulatory physiology.

In addition to their participation at Brock, ELAP graduate students will participate in study tours that will expose them to Canadian governance, business and civil society in key priority areas.

## Health Fair

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Guests will have the opportunity to evaluate their level of health, assess their stress management skills, learn about the positive impact of physical activity and test their knowledge of nutrition.

Close to 100 interactive displays will be represented by medical staff from Student Health Services; faculty, staff, and students

from the University; and, professionals and representatives from area organizations.

Featured topics this year include general medical issues, travel safety, smoking cessation, hand hygiene, sports injuries, physical activity, personal safety, substance abuse, relaxation techniques and more.

For more info, contact Melodie Shick-Porter at x4136 or [mshickporter@brocku.ca](mailto:mshickporter@brocku.ca)

## Three questions with... Rob Alexander



Rob Alexander has been a faculty member in the Department of English since 2001. He teaches writing and is the co-ordinator of the Writing, Rhetoric, and Discourse Studies Program. His current research is in the area of "literary journalism." Rob lives in St. Catharines with his wife and two children, ages 5 and 11.

**What do you like about your job?**

I enjoy the interaction with students. I

also appreciate the ability and freedom it allows me to pursue my research interests.

**What do you do for fun?**

Fun? I love rollerblading on the canal pathway. It's my favourite thing in St. Catharines.

**What was the last film that you saw at the theatre?**

*Waltz With Bashir* but also *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* (in 2D, with my kids).

"Three questions with..." is a feature allowing faculty and staff to get to know their co-workers. Suggestions for the next profile can be made via [campusnews@brocku.ca](mailto:campusnews@brocku.ca) or by calling ext. 4420.



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Michael Ashton, right, a professor in the Department of Psychology, shares a view of his Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence certificate with colleagues during A Celebration of Research Excellence, held Oct. 9 in Pond Inlet.

## Researchers recognized for excellence

More than 20 researchers were honoured during a Celebration of Research Excellence, which took place in Pond Inlet on Oct. 9.

The event, sponsored by Brock Research, featured the awarding of certificates and pins related to a number of internal and external awards.

Jack Lightstone, Brock's president and vice-chancellor, joined Liette Vasseur, vice-president Research, in presenting certificates to the following Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence recipients: Michael Ashton, Uwe Brand, Dirk DeClerq, John Hay, Nota Klentrou, Ryan Plummer, Fereidoon Razavi, Mark Spencer and Teena Willoughby.

Michèle Boutin, in her new role as executive director for the Canada Research Chairs Secretariat, made Brock the first stop on her agenda, presenting a Canada Research Chairs plaque to Janet Conway, Stephen Cheung, and Ping Liang, and presenting a pin to Brock's newest Canada Research Chair renewal, Melanie Pilkington.

### Human Ethics Clinic held Nov. 25

The Research Ethics Office of Brock Research is holding a Human Ethics Clinic on Wednesday, Nov. 25 as a drop-in for researchers (faculty, staff or students) looking for support or who have questions regarding the research ethics process at Brock.

The session will be held in the Large Group Study Room of the Matheson Learning Commons, ST 238, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

For information, reb@brocku.ca

Nine Brock researchers also received certificates and pins as recipients of the Canada Foundation for Innovation Leader's Opportunity Fund, from Jac van Beek, CFI vice-president Programs and Planning. They include John Bonnet, Vincenzo De Luca, Charles Depres, Veena Dwivedi, Elizabeth Greene, Kevin Kee, Martin Lemaire, Georgii Nikonov and Angus Smith.

For more information on each recipient, and photos from the event, visit [www.brocku.ca/research](http://www.brocku.ca/research)

## Chancellor's Chair presents research lecture on Nov. 10

Diane Dupont, a professor in the Department of Economics, will present her Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence lecture on Tuesday, Nov. 10.

The lecture, entitled "Thirsting for Knowledge: An Economist's Investigation of Pressing Water Issues," will take place in the Charles A. Sankey Chambers from 3 to 5 p.m., followed by a wine and cheese reception.

The talk will focus on two components of Dupont's overall research program, which correspond to the "supply of" and "demand for" tap water. While much effort has gone into understanding the engineering/scientific features of water utilities, relatively little is

known about their economic/organizational characteristics. Dupont's studies on several aspects of both the supply and demand sides help reveal how much money Canadian consumers might be willing to pay to have better-quality water, and the extent to which consumers trust their utilities to provide safe and high-quality tap water.

Created in 2001, the Chancellor's Chair for Research Excellence recognizes high-quality research, scholarly and creative achievement by providing a three-year grant to support an individual's research program. In compliance with the terms of the award, each Chancellor's Chair agrees to present a lecture to the University community.

## Youth University contributes to national strategies on how to keep youth focused on higher education

A Niagara team led by Brock's Youth University was one of only 11 groups from across Canada to participate in a unique think-tank designed to address youth access to post-secondary education.

Representatives from Brock University and Niagara College, the Business Education Council of Niagara, the Niagara Workforce Planning Board, and local secondary and post-secondary students participated in Prepared Minds Prepared Places: Post-Secondary Access in the Global Village, held Oct. 24 to 26 in Toronto.

"More than two-thirds of all jobs now

require a post-secondary education. The participation of people from all socio-economic backgrounds in post-secondary education is needed to reduce economic gaps and promote social health," says Kate Cassidy, director of Youth University and team leader for Niagara's group. "Our team focused on identifying the challenges in Niagara and discovering new ideas to improve access to post-secondary education at a grassroots level starting as early as Grade 5."

A final report highlighting each community's best strategies will be distributed to help implement the ideas and plans generated by each team.

## Mediatalk People in the news

Brock president **Jack Lightstone** was interviewed in the *Hamilton Spectator*, Sept. 30, "Med school gets permanent home at Brock." He commented on the \$4-million agreement between the University and McMaster University's Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine to have the Niagara campus of the medical school move into the Niagara Health and Bioscience Research Complex.

**Liette Vasseur**, vice-president, Research, was interviewed in the *St. Catharines Standard*, Oct. 3, "Brock makes play for academic conference," about the University's bid to host the Congress of Humanities and Social Sciences in 2014.

**Lynn Rempel**, chair, Nursing, was interviewed in the *St. Catharines Standard*, Oct. 6, "Breast vs bottle." She discussed a breastfeeding study conducted by Brock and the Niagara Region public health department.

**Catherine Mondloch**, professor, Psychology, was interviewed in the *Toronto Star*, Oct. 1, "Photos are same woman, experts say." Mondloch, a facial recognition expert, commented on a comparison of photographs taken of Suaad Hagi Mohamud.

**Steven Renzetti**, professor, Business, was interviewed in *Maclean's*, Oct. 12, "Sustainability: A special report: Real ways to save the world: One colossal waste." He said that Canadians are the heaviest water consumers in the world, the result of having some of the world's cheapest water prices.

Economics Professor **Robert W. Dimand's** recent presentation at the Cross-Border Post Keynesian Conference, held recently in Buffalo, was highlighted as part of a story, "Scholars are 'Keynes' on regulation; Economists argue financial instruments need more scrutiny," that appeared in the Oct. 10 issue of the *Buffalo News*.

**Stephen Cheung**, Canada Research Chair in Environmental Ergonomics, was featured by *CTV News* on Oct. 10 in "Understanding How Body Reacts to Cold," a segment focusing on the opening of Brock's new Environmental Ergonomics Lab.

**David Siegel**, professor, Political Science, was interviewed by the *Canadian Press* for an Oct. 13 article, "Quebec election czar turns to online satire to woo voters young and old." Siegel argued the notion that people should be goaded into voting.

**Michael J. Armstrong**, associate professor, Business, commented about how trick-or-treaters can collect the most candy on Halloween, in a Oct. 13 story, "Less candy on offer for trick-or-treaters this year: U.S. survey," carried by the *Canwest News Service* and appearing in the *Ottawa Citizen*. He also spoke with the media about using candy data when teaching his course on quality management with stories published in the *St. Catharines Standard* on Oct 16, and *Calgary Herald*, *Windsor Star*, and *Saskatoon Star-Phoenix* on Oct 14.

**Andrew Reynolds**, professor, Biological Sciences, and **Tony Shaw**, associate professor, Geography, were interviewed in the *St. Catharines Standard*, Oct. 16, "Squeezing the greatest potential out of Niagara's wine industry." They commented on the future focus of Niagara's wine industry.

## Moscow State University — old and new partner

Since 2004, Brock University has been welcoming academics from Lomonosov Moscow State University (MSU) in the Mathematics and History departments.

Professor Thomas Wolf, Mathematics, hosted Arthemey Kiselev (PhD) to teach and collaborate on research in the area of differential equations. Every other year, since 2005, Professor David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, has hosted visiting international professors from MSU to teach second- and fourth-year undergraduate courses in History.

Brock International assists the departments in the welcome and orientation of the visiting professors as well as promoting and facilitating their active participation in the Brock community.

During the 2008-09 academic year, the Department of History also welcomed its first international graduate student, Svetlana Riabova, who was an undergraduate at MSU. She recently completed a Master of Arts degree at Brock is now teaching history at a Moscow high school.

As a result of these successful activities and a decision earlier this year by the Internationalization Committee (a senior advisory committee for the Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic) to formalize the institutional relationship with MSU, Sheila Young, director, Brock International, accompanied Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, to Moscow State University to take part in a number of meetings and special events during the last week of September.

The visit began on a very high note with a reception at the university in which Schimmelpenninck van der Oye presented Riabova with her Brock degree.

Other highlights of the trip included:

- presentation to MSU undergraduate students about opportunities to study at Brock University;
  - a visit to the Canadian Embassy in Moscow where Minister Counsellor and Deputy Head of Mission, Gilles Breton, hosted a reception in honour of the launch of the Russian version of Schimmelpenninck van der Oye's book, *Toward the Rising Sun: Russian Ideologies of Empire and the Path to War with Japan*, as well as to celebrate the new formal partnership between MSU and Brock.
- More than 60 guests attended the special reception including book and magazine editors, faculty members from MSU, Russian Academy of Sciences, and other academic institutions in Moscow, students on exchange from Quebec, librarians, city archive heads and other Moscow government representatives;
- a luncheon presentation by a senior trade negotiator for Moscow's ongoing bid for WTO accession - a hot topic since they began applying more than years ago. The event was hosted by the Canada Eurasia Russia Business Association.

For more information about this new link with Moscow State University, please contact David Schimmelpenninck at [dschimme@brocku.ca](mailto:dschimme@brocku.ca) or Sheila Young at [syoung@brocku.ca](mailto:syoung@brocku.ca)

## Town Hall urges creativity

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bring creative ideas to University budget committee meetings on Nov. 30 and Dec. 9.

Lightstone also invited people to send suggestions directly to University vice-presidents.

Ideas related to academics should go to Murray Knuttila [mknuttila@brocku.ca](mailto:mknuttila@brocku.ca); staff or administrative suggestions should be sent to Steven Pillar [spillar@brocku.ca](mailto:spillar@brocku.ca); and ideas concerning philanthropy are welcomed by David Petis [dpetis@brocku.ca](mailto:dpetis@brocku.ca).



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## Honouring the legacy of Sir Isaac Brock

Brock University recently celebrated its namesake, Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock, with two special events. Above, uniformed re-enactors fired a tribute round as part of the General Brock Commemoration, hosted by the Brock 1812 Bicentenary Committee, on Oct. 16 in front of Schmon Tower. At left, guests mix and mingle during the second annual General Brock October Soirée, held Oct. 17, at Château des Charmes. The evening included authentic period performances by student-artists and others from the Marilyn I. Walker School of Fine and Performing Arts.

## United Way goal set

Brock's 2009 campaign for the United Way is officially underway. The goal for this year is \$109,000. Visit [brocku.ca/united-way](http://brocku.ca/united-way) for a full list of campaign events.



## History symposium

The Lincoln and Welland Regiment, Brock University, University of Waterloo and the Laurier Center for Military Strategic and Disarmament Studies will host the Third Annual Military History Symposium at Lake Street Armoury in St. Catharines on Friday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 7, 8:15 am to 3:15 p.m. Topics will range from the War of 1812 to Afghanistan.

Admission is free and all are welcome. Dress is casual.

## Faculty and Staff

### ACCOUNTING

Hemantha Herath presented the article, "Bayesian Post Audit and Extensions," (co-authored with Teju Herath, FOIS) at the Robert H. Smith School of Business, University of Maryland, on April 8.

### CHEMISTRY

Georgii Nikonov gave the lecture "Mechanisms of Mo catalyzed hydrosilylation" at the University of Ottawa, on Oct. 2.

### CHILD AND YOUTH STUDIES

Zopito Marini along with students and colleagues made the following three presentations:

Zopito Marini, Christine Polihronis and Wendy Blackwell presented, "Understanding and fostering academic civility," at the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) 29th Annual Conference, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, N.B., in June. Zopito Marini and Andrew Dane presented a poster, "Unpacking self-regulation: The role of activation control in the development of adolescent delinquency," at the biennial conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Denver, Colo., in April. Also at the conference, Andrew Dane and Zopito Marini presented the poster, "The indirect link between authoritative parenting and adolescent delinquency: The role of self-regulation."

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Elizabeth Sauer attended a reception on Oct. 8 for the Killam Prizes at Rideau Hall, Ottawa, by invitation of the Governor General of Canada.

### MATHEMATICS

Henryk Fuks served as co-organizer and vice-chair of the Symposium on "Complex Systems Modeling and Simulation: Paradigms and Applications," which was a part of 2009 IEEE Toronto International Conference — Science and Technology for Humanity, held in Toronto on Sept. 26 and 27. He also served as a member of the technical program committee for this conference.

### PHILOSOPHY

Christine Daigle presented the paper "Nietzsche's Notion of Embodied Self: Proto-Phenomenology at Work?," "Nietzsche on Mind and Nature," at the 17th International Conference of the Friedrich Nietzsche Society of Great Britain and Ireland at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford (Oxford, U.K.) on Sept. 11.

Christine Daigle presented the paper "The Ethics of Authenticity" at the Reading Sartre Workshop, in London (U.K.), on Sept. 17.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

Livianna Tossutti presented the paper, "Family, Religion and Electoral Participation in Canada: an intergenerational comparative analysis," to the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems Plenary Session, Munk Centre, University of Toronto, Sept. 6. She also presented a poster, "Canadian cities and global migration: comparing local responses to demographic change," at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ont., Sept. 3 to 6. Tossutti was invited to participate in a panel on "Multiculturalism: Anti-racism and anti-discrimination activities. What works and what doesn't?" sponsored by Metropolis, Citizenship and Immigration Canada. The panel was held in Ottawa on Sept. 29.

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## Events

### Biological Sciences Fall Seminar Series

Unless indicated otherwise, all seminars are held on Fridays at 2:15 p.m. in MC H313. Friday, Oct. 30: Janet Yee, Department of Chemistry, Trent University, will speak on "Gene expression studies on a waterborne parasite, Giardia lamblia." Host: Jeff Stuart Friday, Nov. 6: M.C. Goffinet, Department of Horticulture Sciences, Cornell University - NYAES, will speak about "The Inner Vine: Images of the Organization and Anatomy of the Grapevine." Host: Andy Reynolds

### Archeological lecture series

Professor Max Friesen, Department of Anthropology, University of Toronto, presents "The Arrival of the Inuit: New Research into the Thule Inuit Migration from Alaska to Arctic Canada," on Sunday, Nov. 8, 3 p.m., TH 325. No admission charge. The series is presented by the Department of Classics and the Niagara Peninsula Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. For further information, please contact [www.niagaraiaia.net/firms.com](http://www.niagaraiaia.net/firms.com) or call the Department of Classics at x3575 or visit [brocku.ca/classics](http://brocku.ca/classics)

### Marilyn I. Walker School of Fine and Performing Arts

#### Department of Dramatic Arts Mainstage Productions

*A Little Night Music*, Sephen Sondheim's musical directed by Virginia Reh and designed by David Vivian, on Nov. 12, 13, 14, at 7:30 p.m., Sean O'Sullivan Theatre. Waltz with four couples through the feverish liaisons of midsummer madness. A lyric theatre production with the Department of Music. Tickets, adults \$15; seniors/students \$12; groups \$10; \$5 eyeGo for high school students, contact Centre for the Arts box office x3257.

#### Department of Music

##### Music@Noon

Tuesday, Nov. 3: Faculty recital features Jonathan Earp, guitar, at the Concordia Seminary Chapel, 12 noon, free and open to the public.

Tuesday, Nov. 10: Department of Music performance students recital, at the Concordia Seminary Chapel, 12 noon, free and open to the public.

#### Department of Visual Arts

Monday, Nov 9: Guest speaker series with Bruce Barber, artist and writer, Halifax, N.S., NSCAD University, at 12 noon, GLN 162.

### Centre for the Arts - Hot Tickets!

All performances start at 7:30 p.m. in the Sean O'Sullivan Theatre unless otherwise stated. Discounted tickets for Brock students and alumni. Payroll deduction available for faculty and staff. Box office x3257

**October:** Classic Albums Live: Led Zeppelin I, Oct. 29; Second City: Economy of Errors, Oct. 30.

**November:** Ron Sexsmith with special guest Dala, Nov. 18; Barrage: Animado, Nov. 19; Matt Dusk with special guest Theo Tams, Nov. 21; Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia: The Very Hungry Caterpillar (Wee Ones Wiggle Series at 2:30 p.m. in DSH Theatre), Nov. 22; International Guitar Night, Nov. 25.

**December:** The Blind Boys of Alabama Christmas Show, Dec. 2; Justin Hines with special guest Sierra Noble, Dec. 3; Christmas with John McDermott and special guest Russell De Carle of Prairie Oyster, Dec. 5; DuffleBag Theatre: Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer (at 2:30 p.m.), Dec. 6; Dianne Reeves: Christmas is Here, Dec. 8; The Rankin Sisters: A Maritime Christmas, Dec. 9; Classic Albums Live: A Very Lennon Christmas, Dec. 17; The Canadian Tenors Celebrate Christmas (sold out), Dec. 20.

### The Brock University Film Series (BUFS)

**Oct. 28:** *It Might Get Loud*, Davis Guggenheim, U.S., 2008, rated PG, 97 min. From the maker of *An Inconvenient Truth* comes this documentary about the role of the electric guitar in rock music. Told from the perspectives of three guitar giants: Jimmy Page, the Edge, and Jack White.

**Nov. 4:** *The Boys Are Back*, Scott Hicks, Australia/U.K., 2009, rated PG, 104 min. The director of *Shine* brings to life Simon Carr's acclaimed 2001 memoir. After losing his wife to an unexpected tragedy, a widower left to parent two boys by himself attempts a new parenting strategy: "just say yes." Starring Clive Owen. BUFS screens Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the Empire Theatres, Pen Centre. Tickets are \$10. For details, please visit [brocku.ca/bufs](http://brocku.ca/bufs) or call Amanda at x3553.

**Call for artists:** "In the Soil" is now accepting applications for its second annual multi-disciplinary arts festival set to take root in downtown St. Catharines from April 15 to 24, 2010. Artists from, or with a close connection to, the Niagara region are invited to apply for one of 60 showcasing opportunities in music, theatre, dance, film and visual arts. Applications are available for download at [www.inthesoil.on.ca](http://www.inthesoil.on.ca) and will close on January 29, 2010.

"In the Soil" also is pleased to announce support from the Fresh Start Program to assist in bringing a local "Hot Ticket" artist to headline the Friday, April 23, 2010 mainstage event at Brock's Centre for the Arts together with three of the "jury's top picks" from the festival. Fresh Start is made possible through funding from the Arts Presentation Canada Development Support Program offered by the Department of Canadian Heritage.