Winter 2017 Newsletter Office of Community Engagement Concordia University



OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

As a bridging initiative, the <u>Office of Community</u> <u>Engagement</u> supports, connects and promotes new and existing community-university partnerships.

The Office contributes to Concordia's commitment to <u>Embracing the City</u> and can connect you to a broad slate of community resources.Let us know if you'd like to connect your work and interests to our mandate!

- <u>University of the Streets Café Winter 2017</u>
- Engaged Scholar Awards
- Lunching and Learning with Living Knowledge
- Indigenous Directions

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Upcoming Events

February 8

Green in the City: Urban Agriculture: Why and for Whom?

February 15

The Places we Love: How do we live with, and care for, the buildings of our cities?

February 20

Anonymity and Privacy Rights: Who should get

City Lights - University of the Streets Café Winter 2017



Illustration credit: Marie-Eve Tanguay

Gathering under a central theme of City Lights, this <u>semester's conversations</u> strive to identify the radiance of the urban experience.

Some explore the rebirth that comes after a period of darkness; others consider how we define hope in our own lives and how luminaries can inspire our local communities; still others look at our relationship to technology and its sometimes brilliant and emancipatory potential. We encourage you to draw your own links between these conversations or to experience them individually! [Back to Top] access to our information?

February 23

Citizenship and Personal Safety: What happens when status defines human rights?

March 1

Beyond the Pursuit of Happiness: What steps can we take towards a life of impact?

March 9

Representative Democracy: How do we foster citizenship literacy?

March 14

Technology and Democracy: How can technology contribute to engaged citizenship?

<u>April 12</u>

Youth and Community: How to fit in without losing yourself?

April 26

The Multiple Hats of Modern Motherhood: What does it mean to be a mother now?

<u>May 12</u>

End of semester storytelling cafe: Stories of Justice and Hope

Engaged Scholar Awards



2016 Engaged Scholar Awards recipients

Is there a Concordia student, faculty member, or a community group whom you'd like to recognize for their contribution to community-engaged scholarship? If so, the deadline to submit candidatures to the Engaged Scholar Awards is Monday February 13 at 5pm.

Presented annually, these three awards are made possible by the Office of Community Engagement and the <u>Office of the Provost</u>.

<u>Visit us</u> for more information on these awards or to submit a candidature. [Back to Top]

Lunching and Learning with Living Knowledge



Photo by Johanna Baes

This semester, we're continuing our <u>Living</u> <u>Knowledge</u> series with two more lunchtime events. Targeted at staff and faculty, and open to students and community partners, these gatherings strive to strengthen community engaged scholarship at Concordia by highlighting existing projects, sharing ideas and exploring key questions.

This winter we are asking "How can our pedagogy shift in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission?" and "How can we facilitate community-based projects without leading them?"

<u>Drop us a line</u> to find out more about these events or to sign up for the Living Knowledge mailing list.

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Indigenous Directions



From left: Elizabeth Fast, Graham Carr and Charmaine Lyn.

We're very happy to report that Charmaine Lyn, the OCE's Senior Director was recently appointed as Special Advisor on Indigenous Directions at Concordia University.

Alongside <u>Prof. Elizabeth Fast</u> (Applied Human Sciences), Charmaine will co-chair Concordia's Indigenous Directions Leadership Group, which is mandated to improve the university's responsiveness to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

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