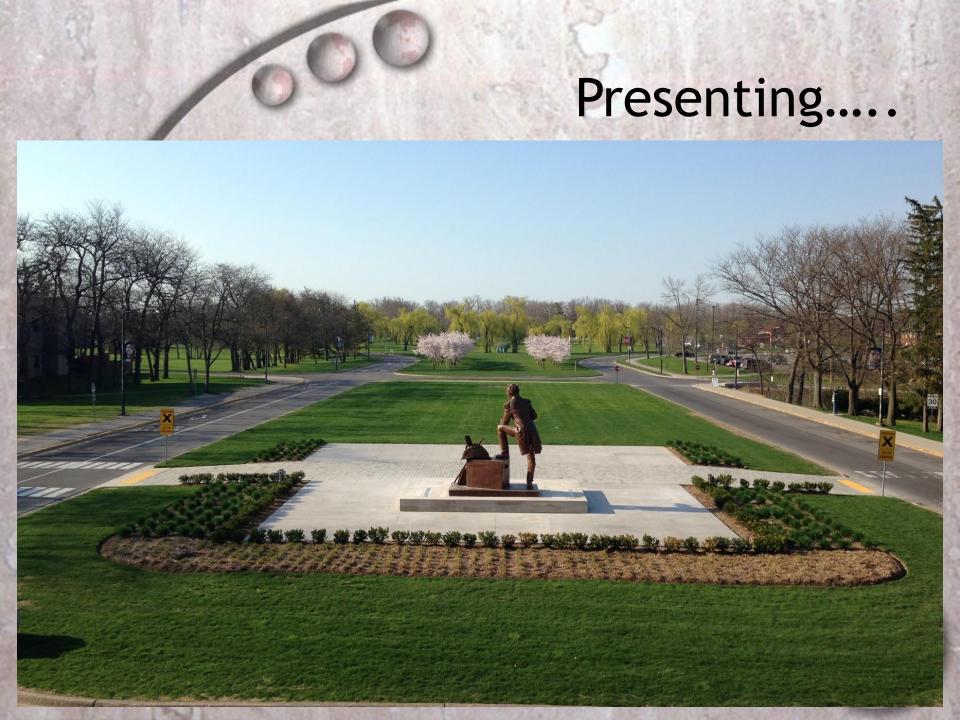


CONFERENCE THEME: COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

## Your Host Institution

 Brock University is situated in the Niagara region in the City of St. Catharines. Within an hour's drive to the City Centre of Toronto and 20 minute drive to Niagara Falls. Known as the "Garden City," St. Catharines is surrounded by lush orchards and vineyards to the east and west, and bordered by the Niagara Escarpment to the south and Lake Ontario to the north. Brock University sits on top of the beautiful Niagara escarpment and is the only Canadian university with the distinction of being part of a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.



# Presenting.....

• Brock University: a campus that is located on a protected biosphere with significant ties to the indigenous peoples of this territory. One can be in the middle of a forest or on the Bruce trail without leaving the campus.

## Dates

• We plan to schedule the symposium during the Tuesday-Thursday after Canadian Thanksgiving (usually the second week in October; it would be Fall break week at Brock and rooms would be available) and would mean that rooms and AV/tech would be free or low cost.

October 13-15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## Costs

- Early bird
- Member: \$250-
- Non-member: \$275
- OStudent: \$150
- Regular
- Member: \$300-450
- Non-member: \$325
- OStudent: \$200
- NOTE—ABOVE ARE PROJECTED ESTIMATES

## **Facilities**

- Sean O'Sullivan Theatre A large lecture theatre on main campus with the capacity to accommodate 461 guests. The room offers stateof-the-art audio visual equipment, including 3 projection screens, projectors and voice projection.
- Thistle 255 through Thistle 259 are flat-floored breakout classrooms with a maximum capacity of 60 guests in each room. Each room is equipped with a projection screen and full AV capabilities.
- Various Gymnasia and activity spaces.

## **Facilities**

- There is a likelihood that we would station the conference in one building to maximize convenience and timeliness. We can handle between 6-10 concurrent sessions. Rooms would be fully equipped with wi-fi and a variety of presentation modes.
- Brock University has three large and accessible areas suitable for reception/ meals/banquet as well as a variety of corridor set ups for pick up breakfasts and lunches and beverage and nutrition breaks.

## Conference Services

O Brock University Conference and Event Services is able coordinate the online registration of delegates, preparation of delegate name tags and oversight of the registration services table.

## Accommodations

- Four Points Sheraton, St. David's Road
- Holiday Inn and Suites, Ontario St.
- Best Western Hotel, Lake St.
- White Oaks Hotel, Glendale Avenue
- Holiday Inn Express, Glendale Avenue

# Planes, Trains and Autos

- Toronto Pearson Airport 112 km/70 miles
- Buffalo Airport 100 km/60 miles
- Hamilton International 72 km/45 miles
- There are a variety of Airport transportation options; Niagara Airbus travels to and from all three airports.
- Coventry Transport offers shared limo service as well 905 468 7727
- St. Catharines is also served by VIA Rail. Station is located near Downtown and is approximately 4 km/2.5 miles from the university. 1 800 361 1235

# **Partners**

## Niagara College



# Niagara College Partnership

- CICE PROGRAM-Community integration through co-operative education. This program provides individuals with developmental disabilities and other significant learning challenges the opportunity to experience college life and enhance their vocational, academic and social skills.
- CICE staff- support students as they attend academic experiences courses where they are able to experience a typical college class with other NC students.
- CICE faculty also meets 1:1 with students to provide additional support to students working towards their academic and employment goals.

# Niagara College Partnership

 Conference participants can experience Niagara College's teaching winery, brewery, distillery, restaurant and greenhouse.

• CICE students- volunteer at conference: help prepare swag bags, set up, assist in greeting participants. Open to all roles. Chance to gain valuable volunteer experience and practice their professional skills.

## **Partners**

## Momentum Choir

Momentum Choir is a highly disciplined, professionally facilitated performance choir based out of the Niagara Region comprised entirely of singers and musicians experiencing disability relating to their developmental profiles.



## Attractions

The Butterfly Conservatory

ONiagara Falls—cooler in the Fall, bundle up for an evening drive and walk. "The Falls" also boasts many attractions such as the Bird Kingdom, Botanical Gardens, The Hershey's Chocolate Factory and Clifton Hill.

## Attractions

 Niagara's Wine Route-Niagara has an abundance of riches in the wineries category... tour and dinner can be arranged.

 Niagara Ale Trail- a brewery tour in Niagara On the Lake (Oast, Silversmith, Exchange).

 Fall Colours Tour (dependent on dates and availability, but beautiful if possible).

# Explore Niagara Canada

https://www.visitniagaracanada.com/



## **EXPLORE**

**NIAGARA FALLS** NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE SOUTH COAST

ST. CATHARINES

TWENTY VALLEY

#### DO

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT ATTRACTION BEACH

**CASINO & GAMING** 

CYCLING **FAMILY FUN** 

GOLF

**HISTORY & HERITAGE** 

LIVE MUSIC **NIAGARA PARKS** 

**OUTDOOR SPORTS** 

ROMANCE

**SHOPPING & SPAS** 

## TASTE

ATTRACTION BAR CIDER CRAFT BEER **FARMER'S MARKET** FESTIVAL RESTAURANTS

**SPIRITS** 

WINE-FESTIVALS WINERIES

## STAY

**BED & BREAKFAST CAMPGROUNDS** COTTAGES HOTELS INN

## **EVENTS**

ARTS & **ENTERTAINMENT CASINOS & GAMING** CYCLING

**FAMILY FUN FESTIVALS** FOOD

FORT ERIE

**HISTORY & HERITAGE** 

MUSIC **NATURE &** HORTICULTURE

**NIAGARA ICEWINE FESTIVAL OUTDOOR SPORTS** 

### PLAN

**GETTING HERE GETTING AROUND** 

## MORE

WEDDINGS **MEETINGS GROUPS** SPORT EVENT HOSTING MEDIA ROOM PRIVACY POLICY

## Your Host Committee

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