WEDNESDAY, MAY 30
LOCATION: SCHLEGEL BUILDING, WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY - ROOM SBE2260

9:00 – 10:00 AM: ACJS session 1 | Holocaust Survivors and Holocaust Culture
Max Beer (CURA Project, Montreal Life Stories, Concordia Centre for Oral History and Digital Storytelling), “Postwar: Holocaust Survivors and the Montreal Jewish Community”
Garry Smolyansky (York University), “We Are Also Survivors, Please Listen to our Stories: Adding the voices of Russian-speaking Jewish Holocaust Survivors to the Shoah Memorialization Culture in the Greater Toronto Area”
Chair: Robin Bergart (University of Guelph)

10:00 – 10:30 AM: Break

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM: Annual General Meeting, Association for Canadian Jewish Studies

12:00 – 1:30 PM: Lunch break

1:30 – 3:30 PM: ACJS session 2 | Canadian Jews During and After World War II
Peter J. Usher (Independent researcher), “Jewish Enlistment and Service in the Royal Canadian Air Force in World War II”
Ira Robinson (Concordia University), “A Portrait of the Rabbi as a Young Man: Rabbi Pinchas Hirschprung’s Memoir of His Escape from Europe to Canada”
Jack Lipinsky (School of Continuing Studies, University of Toronto), “Conflict on Every Level: Saul Hayes, the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, and the Orphans Project”
Kata Bohus (Central European University, Budapest), “Standing Together or Staying Apart? Contradictions of Integration among 1956-er Hungarian Jewish Refugees in Toronto”
Chair: Richard Menkis (University of British Columbia)

3:30 – 4:00 PM: Break

4:00 – 5:30 PM: ACJS session 3 | Conflicted Selves: Portraits from the 1930s
Richard Menkis (University of British Columbia), “Conflicted Selves: Sammy Luftspring and Toots Meretsky”
Harold Troper (University of Toronto), “Conflicted Selves: Fred Herschorn and Sid Halter”
Respondent: Frank Bialystok (University of Toronto)

7:30 PM: Evening program
LOCATION: SCHLEGEL BUILDING - KPMG ATRIUM
- Louis Rosenberg Distinguished Service Award (TBA)
- ACJS Keynote speaker: James Walker (University of Waterloo), “The Jewish contribution to Human Rights”
- Launch of Nazi Germany, Canadian Responses (McGill-Queens University Press)
THURSDAY, MAY 31
LOCATION: SCHLEGEL BUILDING - ROOM SBE2260

8:30 – 10:00 AM: Open Board Meeting, Association for Canadian Jewish Studies

10:00 – 10:30 AM: Break

10:30 – 12:00 PM: ACJS session 4 | Canadian Synagogues
Barry Stiefel (College of Charleston), “Building a House of Gathering on Our Own: Canadian Jews, Synagogues, and the Building Trades”
Barbara Weiser (Independent researcher), “Who is Doing the Chuppah?”
Chair: Janice Rosen (Canadian Jewish Congress Charities Committee National Archives)

12:00 – 1:30 PM: Lunch break

1:30 – 3:00 PM: ACJS session 5 | Holocaust Memory and Representation
Faith Jones (University of British Columbia), “Grade’s Quarrel in Montreal”
Chair: Goldie Morgentaler (University of Lethbridge)

3:00 – 3:15 PM: Break

3:15 – 4:45 PM: ACJS session 6 | Canadian Jewish Identities
Stephanie Tara Schwartz (University of Ottawa), “Postcolonial Themes in Canadian Sephardic Culture”
Rebecca Starkman (OISE, University of Toronto), “Portraits of a Jewish American Princess: A Close-up on Jewish Girls’ Complex Identity Negotiations”
Chair: Randal Schnoor (York University)

4:45 – 5:45 PM: Annual General Meeting, Canadian Society of Jewish Studies

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