

**Program of the Hungarian Studies Association of Canada  
At the 2015 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences  
University of Ottawa, May 30-June 1, 2015**

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Desmarais Hall DMS, 12110

18:00 - 18:15 Welcome and introduction, Oliver Botar, President of HSAC

18:15 - 19:45 *Conference Opening Session: Commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Hungary and Canada*

**Chair: Oliver Botar** (U of Manitoba)

**Greg Donaghy** (Head, Historical Section, Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development): A Perennial Problem: Canadian Relations with Hungary 1945-65

**László Sinka**, (Economic and Trade Counsellor, Embassy of Hungary): Hungary-Canada relations today

**Agnes Pust**, (Deputy Director, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Foreign Affairs, Canada): Canada-Hungary relations today

19:45 – 21:00 *Welcome reception offered by the Embassy of Hungary at the Oblate Room, St Joseph's Rectory, 151 Laurier Ave East*

Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> Hagen (HGN), 302

8:45 – 9:30 *Session 1: Keynote Address*

**Chair: Steve Jobbitt** (Lakehead U)

**Katalin Kürtösi** (U of Szeged): Infernal Masked Ball: The Siege of Budapest through the Lens of Writers Sándor Márai and Tamas Dobozy

9:30 – 9:45 *Break and Refreshments*

9:45 – 11:15 *Session 2: Reflections on Hungary's Artistic Capital: Budapest and Beyond*

**Chair: Agatha Schwartz** (U of Ottawa)

**Nausikaa Muresan** (Ottawa): Extending *Gratitude*: Memory, Family and War and Joseph Kertes' *The Afterlife of Stars*

**Eszter Szenczi** (PhD candidate, ELTE, Budapest): Sharing Memories in George Jonas's *Beethoven's Mask* (2005)

**Virginia L. Lewis** (Northern State U, South Dakota, USA): Translating Zsigmond Móricz: Status, Challenges, and Opportunities

11:15-12:15 *Session 3: Hungary Between Capitals: Nation, State, and Diplomacy*

**Chair: Georg Michels** (U of California, Riverside)

**Andras Becker** (U of Southampton, UK): 'A Wretched but Necessary Business': Hungary, South East Europe and the Dynamics of British Perceptions and Official Viewpoints towards Territorial and Minority Disputes in the Region in the Era of World War II

**Christopher Adam** (Carleton U, Ottawa): Budapest and State-Linked Diasporas in the Twentieth Century and Beyond

12:15 – 13:30 *Lunch Break* - - from 12:30 **Book launch:** *Shaking the Empire, Shaking Patriarchy: The Growth of a Feminist Consciousness Across the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy*, by Agatha Schwartz and Helga Thorson (Riverside, CA: Ariadne Press, 2014). Pick up and bring your lunch.

13:30 – 15:00 **Session 4: Austro-Hungarian Ego(s) and the First World War**

**Chair: Eszter Szenczi** (ELTE, Budapest)

**Kristen Csenkey** (Student, U of Toronto): Madame M. and Psychopathy: New Perspectives on Géza Csáth.

**Andrea Ritter** (Jewish Theological Seminary, and private practice, Budapest): Aftermath of World War 1 in Psychology: Ferenczi and ‘War Neurosis’

**Judit Pál** (Babes Bolyai U, Cluj-Napoca): Egymás tükrében – az Osztrák-Magyar Monarchia soknemzetiségű elitjei és az első világháború [Multinational Elites of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy Reflected in One Another’s Eyes and the First World War; English Power Point]

15:00-15:15 *Break and Refreshments*

15:15-16:15 **Session 5: Teaching Hungarian**

**Chair: Eva Tomory** (U of Toronto)

**Magdolna Velki**, (Kanadai Magyar Műhely, Montreal): Syntax Teaching with the *Reading Series* (*Olvasófüzetek*)

**Rita Gárdosi**, (Cleveland, US): Teaching Hungarian in Cleveland, Ohio: Past and Present

16:15-17:15 **Session 6: Capital Ideas and Hungarian Innovators**

**Chair: Magdolna Velki** (Montreal)

**Anita Rattig** (PhD candidate, U of Pécs): Business Incubation: Theoretical Summary and Hungarian Experiences

**Izabella Barati-Stec** (CEU, Budapest): Sustainable Budgeting in Big Cities, Smart Cities: Options for Budapest?

17:15-18:15 **HSAC Annual General Meeting**

17:00-19:00 **President’s Reception**, Reception Tent outside Residence 90U

19:00 HSAC 30<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Dinner: Red Experience Room, Novotel. Speaker: Eva Tomory** (U of Toronto), “Thirty Years of HSAC”

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9:00 – 10: 30 **Session 7: Hungary and the Habsburg Monarchy: Nation, State, and Society**

**Chair: Nandor Dreisziger** (Emeritus, Royal Military College, Kingston)

**Georg Michels** (U of California Riverside): The Ottoman-Habsburg Frontier and the Failure of the Hungarian Counter Reformation during the Seventeenth Century

**Albert Zsolt Jakab** (Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj-Napoca, Romania): The 1000<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the State: The Commemorations of the Hungarian Land-Taking (896) in Cluj/Kolozsvár

**Roman Holec** (Institute of History of Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava, Slovakia): Imagining the Future in Hungary and the Rest of Central Europe at the Beginning of the Twentieth Century

10:30 – 10:45 *Break and refreshments*

10:45 – 12:30 **Session 8: The Holocaust in Hungary**

**Chair: Judy Young Drache** (Canada-Hungary Educational Foundation)

**Attila Gidó** (Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj-Napoca, Romania): The Antecedents of Extermination: Jewish Life in Northern Transylvania before the Deportations

**Allison Somogyi** (PhD candidate, U of North Carolina, USA) The Everyday Life of the Jewish Community of Budapest under Nazi Occupation

**Ibi Gábori** (Retired Librarian, Toronto): Auschwitz Survivor

12:30 – 13:45 *Lunch Break*

13:45 – 15:15 **Session 9: The Church in Hungary, 1945 to Present**

**Chair: Christopher Adam** (Carleton U, Ottawa)

**Éva Petrás** (ÁBTL, Hungarian State Security Archives, Budapest and PHF, Theological College Pécs): The Diplomatic Journeys of Töhötöm Nagy, a Jesuit Freemason in 1945-1946

**Peti Lehel** (Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj-Napoca, Romania): Vallási megtérés és modernizáció a moldvai csángó falvakban [Religious Conversion and Modernization in Moldovan Csángó villages]

**Nandor Dreisziger** (Emeritus, Royal Military College, Kingston): The Churches in Hungary after 1989

15:15– 15:30 *Break and Refreshments*

15:30 – 17:00 **Session 10: Post-Socialist Hungary**

**Chair: Andras Becker** (U of Southampton, UK)

**Noémi Nagy** (PhD candidate, U of Pécs, and doctoral research fellow, Wirth Institute, U of Alberta): Language Rights in Hungary since the Democratic Transition in 1989–90

**Marie Boglari** (PhD candidate, U of Ottawa): Considerations on the Structural and Political Conditions Affecting Recourse to Civil Disobedience: The Case of the Roma Minority Self-Government System in Hungary

**Steven Jobbitt** (Lakehead U, Canada): No Longer At Home in Europe? Illiberalism and Geopolitical Reorientation in Post-Communist Hungary

17:00 *Closing Remarks*, Oliver Botar, President of HSAC

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