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narrative Matters

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An Interdisciplinary Conference on Narrative Perspectives, Approaches, and Issues Across the Humanities & Social Sciences

Theme: The Power of Story in a Postmodern World

Theorists, practitioners, and students from a wide range of fields will gather at this second international conference to present research and share ideas on a spectrum of topics relative to the role of narrative – or story – in human life. Organized by faculty and students from St. Thomas University and the University of New Brunswick and funded in part by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, this unique event will feature over 150 single papers, workshops, roundtables, and symposia by colleagues in disciplines as diverse as psychology and social work, gerontology and medicine, journalism and philosophy, literary theory and gender studies, sociology and education, history and the arts.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Mark Freeman, PhD – *Life and literature: Continuities and discontinuities*

Freeman is Professor of Psychology and Arthur Garrity, Sr., Professor in Human Nature, Ethics, and Society at College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass. His research interests include history and philosophy of psychology, the psychology of the self, and narrative psychology. His book, *Rewriting the Self: History, Memory, Narrative* (Routledge 1993) received the Alpha Sigma Nu National Book Award in 1994. A second book, *Finding the Muse: A Sociopsychological Inquiry into the Conditions of Artistic Creativity* (Cambridge 1993) was designated an Outstanding Academic Book by Choice magazine in 1995.

Sharon Butala, BA, BEd – *The memoirist's quandary: Turning life into narrative*

Butala has lived on a ranch near the Montana-Saskatchewan border for 27 years. Her book, *The Perfection of the Morning* (HarperCollins 1994), reached #1 on the Canadian bestseller list, where it stayed for a year. She has published six novels, three short story collections, three works of non-fiction, and two works with photographers. Shortlisted twice for the Governor General's Award and for the Commonwealth Award, she was made an Officer in the Order of Canada in 2002. Her latest book is *Real Life* (HarperCollins 2002).

Tone Kvernbekk, PhD – *Narratives and reality: What do narratives tell us about the world?*

Kvernbekk is Associate Professor of Philosophy of Education at the University of Oslo, Norway. Her research focuses on the philosophy of science applied to various problems in educational theorizing, e.g., the nature of educational theories, their applications to practice, insider epistemology, and experiential learning. Topics include the role of hindsight in narrative configuration, the believability of narratives, and the importance of narrative form. Her PhD thesis from 1994 won His Majesty the King's Gold Medal.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS – Thurs, May 20 [* = half day, AM or PM]

- Narrative analysis: How to work with narrative data
- Narrative ideas in therapeutic practice (half-day, AM, OR full-day)
- Have I got a story for you: Stories in the health care community*
- The curriculum of life: Narrative in teaching-learning experiences*
- Drumming and storytelling: The heartbeat of First Nations*
- Storytelling on the street: Journalism as literature*
- From script to screen: A hands-on 1-2-3 of visual narrative*

- Michael Bamberg, PhD
- Judith Myers Avis, PhD
- Linda Clarke, MA
- Dolores Furlong, PhD
- Carlos Elder Gomes, MA
- Philip Lee, MA
- R. Moore, PhD, and T. Merzetti, MBA

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| | Regular | Students/65+ | Regular | Students/65+ |
| Main Conference AND Pre-Conference | \$300 | \$150 | \$350 | \$175 |
| Main Conference Only | \$250 | \$125 | \$300 | \$150 |
| Pre-Conference Only (full-day) | \$100 | \$50 | \$125 | \$75 |
| Pre-Conference Only (half-day) | \$50 | \$25 | \$75 | \$50 |



For details about the program for Narrative Matters 2004, the Narrative Matters listserv, keynote speakers and pre-conference workshops, accomodation and transportation options, PLUS how to register, visit the website: www.stu.ca/conf/narrative – or you can call us at 1-506-452-0632 or e-mail us at narr-mat@stu.ca