

**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 30th 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 50th 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 31st 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 30th **Anniversary Dinner: Red Experience Room, Novotel. Speaker: Eva Tomory** (U of Toronto), “Thirty Years of HSAC”

Monday, June 1st Hagen (HGN) 302

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 1000th 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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