

**The 2010 Annual Conference of the
Hungarian Studies Association of Canada**

**Concordia University
John Molson Building: MB 3-430
May 29-30**

Conference Program

Day 1, Saturday

9:15 – 9:30 a.m.

Welcome by HSAC President Professor Andor Tari (U. of Guelph)

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Session 1

Hungarian Studies – in Canada and in Italy

Chair: Andor Tari (Emeritus, U of Guelph)

George Bisztray (Emeritus, U. of Toronto):

“The First 25 Years of the Hungarian Studies Association of Canada”

Amedeo di Francesco (Pres., Int’l. Assoc. of Hungarian Stud.)

“30 Years of Hungarian Studies in Italy”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11.00 – 12:30 Session 2

Culture and Society in 19th & 20th Century Hungary

Chair: Eva Tömöry (U. of Pécs)

Eva Bodnar (U. Alberta):

“Louis Kossuth’s 1861 Banknote Trial in London”

Erzsebet Molnar (U. Miskolc):

“Samuel Brassai the Linguist”

Oliver Botar (U. Manitoba):

“Ernő Kállai, György Kepes and the Aestheticization of Scientific
Photography after World War II”

12:30 – 14:00 lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 Session 3

The Literature and Language of Hungarian-Canadians

Chair: Christopher Adam (Carleton U.)

Nausikaa Muresan (U. Ottawa):

Memory and Witnessing in Joe Kertes's *Gratitude*

Magdolna Velki (Montreal):

“The Living Language of Hungarian-Canadians”

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30 Session 4

Hungarian-Canadian Affairs

Chair: Margit Lovrics (HSAC, Toronto)

Eniko Pittner (U. Toronto):

“The Hungarian-Canadian Press, 1957-1972”

Christopher Adam (Carleton U.)

“The End of the Hungarian-Canadian Communist Movement”

At 7:00pm there will be a dinner at Café Rococo, with a poetry reading by Judit Havas. Dr. Judith Woodsworth, President of Concordia University and her spouse, Lindsay Crysler, will be our guests of honour. Rococo is located at 1650 avenue Lincoln, near the Guy-Concordia metro station. When exiting the John Molson building, turn left on rue Guy and walk to the corner of avenue Lincoln. Turn left on Lincoln, and walk 50 metres to Rococo. This Hungarian restaurant is about a five minute walk from the conference site.

Day 2, Sunday

9:00 - 10:00 Session 5

The Poetry and Literature of Hungarians

Chair: George Bisztray (Emeritus, U. of Toronto)

Judit Havas (U. Budapest):

“Hungarian Poets from the Third Generation of the periodical
Nyugat”

Eva Fülöp (Budapest and U. Alberta):

“The Genealogical Novels of Hungarians in Hungary and
Hungarians Beyond the Borders”

10:00 - 10.30 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00 Session 6

Political Science: Recent and Current Affairs in Hungary and Canada

Chair: Gábor Csepregi (Dominican U., Ottawa)

Gloria Roheim (U. Toronto): “The Europeanization of Hungarian Foreign Policies”

Csaba Nikolenyi (Concordia): “Making Votes Count under a Complex Electoral System: A Preliminary Analysis of the 2010 Hungarian Elections”

Paul St. Clair (CEO, Roma Advocacy Centre, Toronto): Hungarian Roma as Refugees in Canada. 1996-2010

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 15:00 Session 7

Connected Understanding: Prospects for Sustainable Democracy in Hungary

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

Andras Gollner (Concordia; Budapest School of Business): “Political Discourse and the Challenges to Sustainable democracy in Hungary”

Tibor Frank (CEO, Urban Innovative Solutions): “Local Democracy and Sustainable Development in Hungary”

Jozsef Orosz (journalist, Budapest and U. of Szeged): “Who Let the Watchdog Out?’ The changing role of the media amid political turmoil in today’s Hungary”

15:00 - 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 - 17.00 Annual General Meeting (only paid up members of the Association may vote at the meeting)