

## **FRIDAY, 5 MAY**

**8:00 - 8:50 | Conference Registration**

**8:50 - 9:00 | Opening Remarks**

**9:00 – 10:00 | Keynote Address | Holger Herwig**

**10:00 – 10:15 | Coffee Break**

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### **10:15 – 11:45 | Session 1**

#### **Session 1A | Commemorating the First World War**

*Commemorating the Second Battle of Ypres and Vimy Ridge*

Katrina Pasierbek [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Commemoration of Canadian Army War Dead*

Catherine Paterson & Jerry Mayer [Commonwealth War Graves Commission]

*First Among Equals: The Selection of Vimy as the National First World War Memorial Site*

Bradley St. Croix [University of Ottawa]

#### **Session 1B | Learning to Fight: The Evolution of Arms and Logistics in the First World War**

*Over the Ridge and Beyond: The Evolution of Forward Transport in the BEF, 1917*

Andrew Iarocci [Western University]

*The Lessons of Vimy: CEF Field Animal Management, 1917-18*

Andrew Scott McEwen [Parks Canada]

*Material and Methods Somme 1916 and Drocourt-Quéant 1918: Critical Comparisons in Canadian Operations*

Bill Stewart

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**11:45 – 12:30 | Lunch**

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## 12:30 – 2:00 | Session 2

### Session 2A | **In the thick of it: Faith, Diversion and 'Learning the Trade' in the Trenches**

*The RFC and the Battle of Courcellette*

Graham Broad [King's University College, Western University]

*'A splendid evening's entertainment:' Sport, Leisure and Morale amongst the Canadians on the Western Front*

Kyle Falcon [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Religion and the Great War: The Canadian Experience*

Gordon Heath [McMaster Divinity College]

### Session 2B | **Naval and Amphibious Operations**

*Any Port of Call: An Initial Inquiry into the Harbor/Submarine Relationship in the American Submarine War*

Robert Dienesch

*The Middelkerke Landing: First World War Amphibious Warfare post-Gallipoli*

Alexander Maavara [University of Waterloo]

*Divergent Justice: The differences between British and German Prize Courts and their rulings on shipping as World War I progressed*

Joseph Zeller

### Session 2C | **War and its Cultural Constructs**

*The Imagined Mushroom Cloud: The Psychological Construction of Chemical Warfare*

Kimberley Heath

Abdiasis Issa [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*"I went. I tried it. I liked it. I stayed." Motivations of Citizen-Soldiers of the Algonquin Regiment, 1966 to 1991*

Nicholas McGuire [Nippissing University]

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**2:00 – 2:15 Coffee Break**

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## 2:15 – 3:45 Session 3

### Session 3A | **The First World War in the Air**

Nicholas Clarke

*Laying the Ground Work for Battle...from the Air: No. 16 Squadron and the Preparations for the Battle of Vimy Ridge*

Erin Gregory [Canada Aviation and Space Museum]

*Canadian Pilots in the First World War: Motivation and Training*

Stephen Hodgson [University of Regina]

### Session 3B | **Trouble in the Ranks: Social Perspectives on the First World War**

*Conduct Unbecoming: Canadian Officers Dismissed and Cashiered, 1915—1919*

Matthew Barrett [Queen's University]

*The Curse of Hippocrates: The Canadian Army Medical Corps (CAMC), Problems, Tension and Conflict amongst Medical Officers (MOs) in the context of the First World War*

Jordan Chase [Western University]

*“War, Invasion or Insurrection, Real or Apprehended.” The War Measures Act and Canadian Internment Policies during the First World War.*

Donald Eberle [Northwest State Community College]

### Session 3C | **A Peaceful Transition? The Canadian Military at the end of the Second World War**

*Wizards in White Coats: The Canadian Defence Research Board, Science and Psychology in the Early Cold War, 1947-1964*

Megan Fitzpatrick [Royal Military College of Canada]

*The Diplomacy of Disposal: The Fate of Surplus Canadian Medical Supplies in Europe, 1944-1946*

Alex Souchen [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Fear and Fatigue: Canada's Cold War Military on Film*

Matthew Wiseman [Wilfrid Laurier University]

## 3:45 – 5:15 Session 4

### Session 4A | **Education, Myth and Vimy Today**

*A Nation Forged in Ambivalence: The Great War in the Canadian Classroom 1918-1939*

Robert Cupido [Mount Allison University]

*Sculpting, Exhibiting, and Teaching Nationhood: Canada's First World War Centenary*

Breanna Lester [Carleton University]

*Stormtroops: Canada's Military Myth at Vimy Ridge*

Desaree Roskopf [Western University]

### Session 4B | **Digitally Mapping the First World War: A Roundtable Discussion**

Rebecca Bartlett [Carleton University]

Gord Beck [McMaster University]

Jay Brodeur [McMaster University]

Geoffrey Hayes [University of Waterloo]

Trevor Ford [Wilfrid Laurier University]

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**5:15 – 6:00 | Food and Drink available at Grad Pub**

**6:00 - 7:00 | Book Launch & Cash Bar**

**7:00 | Banquet & Keynote | Gary Sheffield**

## **SATURDAY, 6 MAY**

**8:30 - 9:00 | Conference Registration**

**9:00 – 10:00 | Keynote Address | Tim Cook [60 min]**

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**10:00 – 10:15 Coffee Break**

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**10:15 – 11:45 Session 5 [90 min]**

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Session 5A | **Winning the Ridge: Operations at Vimy**

*An Okanagan Regiment takes the Centre of Vimy Ridge*  
Howard Hisdal [Okanagan College]

*The Battle of Vimy Ridge, 1917: Explaining Canadian Victory and German Defeat using Stephen Biddle's Military Power Model*  
Mike Lalonde [University of Waterloo] & Whitney Lackenbauer [St. Jerome's University]

*A Terrible Burden: The Horses of Vimy and WWI*  
Amy Ratelle [University of Toronto]

Session 5B | **Battles within Battles: Gender Relations and Conscription Debates at the Front**

*Fallen Sisters: Gender, Military Service, and Death in Canada's First World War*  
Sarah Glassford [University of Toronto]

*Talbot Mercer Papineau and the Question of Conscription*  
Geoffrey Hayes [University of Waterloo]

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**11:45 – 12:30 Lunch**

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**12:30 – 2:00 Session 6**

Session 6A | **Disease: The Invisible Bullet**

Kandace Bogaert [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Venerable Disease in the First World War*

Lyndsay Rosenthal [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Tuberculosis and Indigenous Veterans*

Eric Story [Wilfrid Laurier University]

Session 6B | **Remembering and Forgetting: Negotiating Grief, Indigeneity and Memory**

*Brothers and Soldiers: Arnold and Clarence Westcott and the Battle of Canal du Nord, 17 September to 1 October, 1918*

Cindy Comacchio [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*The Lived Experience of First Nations Soldiers in the First World War*

Evan Habkirk [Western University]

*'Drawing no dividend from time's to-morrows:' Major Samuel Bothwell of the 1st CMR at Vimy Ridge*

Peter Farrugia [Wilfrid Laurier University]

Session 6C | **Digital History**

Mary Chaktsiris [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Anglo-Canadian Music of the Great War: Developing an Online Research Platform*

Sara Karn [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Vimy from a Distance*

Steve Marti [University of Delaware]

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**2:15 – 3:45 Session 7**

Session 7A | **Leadership & Combat Effectiveness**

*Strengths and Weaknesses of the German ground forces in the last year of the war, 1944-1945*

Arthur Gullachsen [Royal Military College of Canada]

Sean Summerfield [Bishop's University]

*Victor Wentworth Odlum CB, CMG, and DSO: Soldier, Journalist, Entrepreneur, Diplomat*

David Thompson

Session 7B | **Death, Grief & Remembrance**

*"The ground is all covered with dead as far as you can see:" Grieving on the Western Front*  
Brittany Dunn [Wilfrid Laurier University]

*Killing, Dying, and the Canadian Culture of Sacrificial Death*  
Owen Griffiths [Mount Allison University]

*Never forgotten: The discovery and identification of the skeletal remains of a First World War Canadian soldier commemorated on the Vimy Memorial*  
Sarah Lockyer [Directorate of History and Heritage]

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**3:45 – 4:30 | Plenary Address | Terry Copp**

**4:30–5:00 | Closing Remarks**

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