

Maternal Health and Well-Being Conference Program
October 17-20, 2007
Courtyard Marriott Hotel Downtown Toronto, 475 Yonge Street (at Carlton)

Wednesday, October 17, 2007

7:00pm-9:00pm SPECIAL MOTHER OUTLAWS SPEAKER EVENT:

(UNIVERSITY A & B, lower level)

Raising Outlaws--Beyond the Boundaries of "The Good Mother"

Mary Kay Blakely (University of Missouri-Columbia)

FREE FOR ARM MEMBERS!

\$20.00 for Non ARM Members

\$10.00 for Students

Thursday, October 18, 2007

8:00am-9:00am REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

(COMMON SPACE, lower level)

**9:00am-11:00am COMMUNITY AND MATERNAL WELL-BEING
SESSION A1**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR - Sallie Han (SUNY, Oneonta)

**With a Little Help from my Friends: The Significance of Friendships during
Pregnancy**

Sallie Han (SUNY, Oneonta)

"Schadenfreude for Mittelschmerz? Or, Why I Read Infertility Blogs"

May Friedman (York University)

Creating a Village: Why Women Need Strong Mothering Communities

Meagan Francis (author, *Everything Health Guide to Postpartum Care*)

**MOTHERS, FAMILIIES AND WELL-BEING
SESSION A2**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR - Rena Isenberg-Winegust (Clinical Pharmacist)

**Mothers' Health Promotion: How Daily Experiences Shape
Women's Health Practices**

Tracy R. Nichols (University of North Carolina, Greensboro)

**Maternal Health and Challenges: Tradition, Knowledge and Economic
Status in Determining Maternal Health and Well Being**

Maryanne Nwaokeleme (African Youth for Transparency)

Happy Periods: Reframing Menstruation Education

Erica Hesch Anstey (University of South Florida)

Marilyn Myerson (University of South Florida)

**The Transitional Years: Mothering Teenage Daughters through the
Peri-Menopausal Years**

Rena Isenberg-Winegust (Clinical Pharmacist)

**WORKSHOP
SESSION A4**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Sharon Young (Women's Health Clinic, Winnipeg, MB)

The Good Mother: A Deconstruction Workshop

Jody Thomson (Women's Health Clinic, Winnipeg, MB)

Sharon Young (Women's Health Clinic, Winnipeg, MB)

****ARM JOURNAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING****

(closed session)

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

11:00am – 11:15am

BREAK

11:15am – 1:15pm

**MOTHER STORIES
SESSION B1**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR - Mitzi Mitchell (York University)

Midnight Comes Again

Mitzi Mitchell (York University)

A Mother's Initiation: a Reading from *By the Secret Ladder* by Frances Greenslade

Frances Greenslade (Okanagan College)

Performing Survival: The Challenges of the Mother-load/lode

Pam Patterson (OISE/University of Toronto)

A Return to Simplicity: Reflections from an Over-Extended Mother/Step-Mother

Jasjit Sangha (OISE/University of Toronto)

**Two Women's Experience with Conception, Pregnancy, Birth and Motherhood:
The Feat, Frustration and Joy of it All**

Mindy Stokes (University of South Florida)

**PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH
SESSION B2**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – May Friedman (York University)

Pregnant Bodies and the Need for Privacy

Jelena Komljenovic (OISE/University of Toronto)

Disordered Eating and Pregnancy: Counselling Treatment Recommendations

Christina Vaillancourt (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

Gina Wong-Wylie (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

**Translating Childbirth: a Feminist Literary Analysis of Preparations for
Motherhood**

Tina S. Kristiansen (University of Calgary)

Standard of Care: How Expectant Mothers View Prenatal Medical Treatment

Elizabeth Soliday (Washington State University)

Ode to the Midwives (film and discussion)

Kathleen Cummins (York University)

**WORK/FAMILY BALANCE
SESSION B3**

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

CHAIR – Michelle Harris-Genge (Women's Network PEI)

Maternal Well-Being and Work outside the Home: The Causes and Costs of Stress
M. Louise Ripley (York University)

Mothers' Connection: Work-Family Balance: From Research to Practice
Michele L. Vancour (Southern Connecticut State University)

Legislation to Accommodate Breastfeeding in the Workplace: Is it Legally and Ethically Justified?
Michele McIntosh (York University)

**MOTHERING, RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY
SESSION B4**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Diana L. Gustafson (Memorial University)

Raising Children for God: Exploring the Secret Burdens of Conservative Protestant Mothers
Lanette Ruff (University of New Brunswick)

“Oh, My God”: Pregnancy, Childbirth and Religiosity
Diana L. Gustafson (Memorial University)

Family, Loss, and Spirituality
Jennie Klein (Ohio University)

**MOTHERING AND FEMINISM
SESSION B5**

(BAY B, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Sharon Young (Women's Health Clinic, Winnipeg, MB)

New Motherhood and the Conceptualization of Feminism
Melina McConatha Rosle (University of Delaware)

Why Mothers are Still Women
Alison Hayford (University of Regina)

Root Work: Learning the Meaning of Radical Acceptance and Seeing Beyond Identity, a Contemplation of “Motherhood”
Heather Curry (University of South Florida)

**ROUNDTABLE: YOUNG MOTHERS ISSUES AND KNOWLEDGE
MOBILIZATION PROJECTS 1
SESSION B6**

(*embedded conference)

(LEASIDE, lower level)

Andrea O'Reilly (York University)
Linda Hunter (University of Guelph)
Phyllis Montgomery (Laurentian University)
Louise Moody (Humewood House)
Julie Maher (Young Parent's No Fixed Address)

1:15pm-2:15pm **LUNCH (on your own)**

2:15pm-4:15pm **BECOMING A MOTHER
SESSION C1**

(BAY B, 1st floor)

CHAIR – Linda Hunter (University of Guelph)

**How Motherhood Changes You Forever: In Dialogue with a
Narrative of Transformation**

Yael Oberman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel)

Making Room for Motherhood: Presence, Process and Paradox

Alana Ruben Free (Writer, Editor, *The Mom Egg*)

Fear Factor: Marketing to Pregnancy, Women and Moms-to-Be

Ann Douglas (author, *The Mother of All Pregnancy Books*)

**MOTHERING CHALLENGES
SESSION C2**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR – Laura Dreuth Zeman (Southern Illinois University)

**Maternal Health of Middle Aged Single Mothers as They Balance Raising Children,
Returning to School, Legally Fighting for Child Support**

Georgina Jung (MBA, York University and Student, Canadian College of Naturopathic
Medicine)

Mothering Boys in Systems Where Strengths are Invisible: a Creative Exploration

Rose Barg (Educational Program Manager)

Carolyn Peters (Social Worker)

Insufficient Milk Syndrome: A Self-Fulfilling Prophecy

Sereti Venzin (University of Arizona)

Networking and Agency - Immigrant Women and the Role of Social Networks for Child-Care

Agata Frankowicz (Ryerson University)

**WORKSHOP
SESSION C3**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Dorothy Goldin Rosenberg (OISE/University of Toronto, (WHEN))

Children's Health and the Environment: Educating for a Just and Healthy Future

Lana L. Choi (Women's Healthy Environments Network (WHEN))

Dorothy Goldin Rosenberg (OISE/University of Toronto, (WHEN))

Helen Pearman Ziral (OISE/University of Toronto, (WHEN))

**YOUNG MOTHERS SPEAK OUT PANEL
SESSION C4**

(*embedded conference)

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Geraldine Brady (Coventry University)

Placenta Brain: The Story and Success of One Mother

Jess Maher (Independent Artist and member of I WAS HERE, an NFB Filmmaker-in-Residence project at St. Michael's Hospital)

The Mommy Monologues

St. Martin's Manor Group Presentation (Young Parent Resource Centre Hamilton, ON)

4:15pm-4:30pm

BREAK

4:30pm-6:30pm

**MOTHERING AND ABORTION
SESSION D1**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR - Jessica Shaw (Canadians for Choice)

Reality Check: A Close Look at Accessing Abortion Services in Canadian Hospitals

Jessica Shaw (Canadians for Choice)

Mothering and Aborting in Finnish Women's Abortion Narratives

Salome Tuomaala (University of Helsinki, Finland)

Pro-Choice, But Where is the ‘Choice?’

Sophie Price (Ryerson University)

Abortion as an Act of Mothering

Sarah Duncan (St. Francis Xavier University)

**MATERNAL WELL-BEING AND VIOLENCE/SEXUAL ABUSE
SESSION D2**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Lynne Jenkins (OISE/University of Toronto)

**The Perils and Promise of New Assisted Reproductive Technologies: Counselling
Women Survivors of Childhood Sexual Abuse in the Context of New Assisted
Reproductive Technologies**

Lynne Jenkins (OISE/University of Toronto)

19th-century American Short Stories: Motherhood and Madness.

Rita Bode (Trent University)

**The Impact of Childhood Sexual Abuse on the Motherhood Experiences of Women
on Welfare**

Betty Barrett (University of Windsor)

**MOTHERING IN ACADEME
SESSION D3**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Linda Hunter (University of Guelph)

Health Benefits of Social Support for Academic Mothers

Michele L. Vancour (Southern Connecticut State University)

The 24-Hour Shift: Living as a Low-Income Single Mother

Jennifer Ajandi (OISE/University of Toronto)

**YOUNG MOTHERS
SESSION D4
(*embedded conference)**

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Meagan Francis (author, *Everything Health Guide to Postpartum Care*)

Adolescent Pregnancy, Information Seeking and the Construction of Cognitive Authority

Macey Zieroth (University of Western Ontario)

Young Mothers in Care: An Exploration of Young Women's Experience of Pregnancy and Mothering

April Mazzuca (Children's Aid Society of Toronto)

How the Denial of Equal Rights to Education for Teenage Mothers in the United States Contributes to the Feminization of Poverty

Katherine Arnoldi (Binghamton University)

**CLOSED MEETING
SESSION D5**

(Bay B, 1st floor)

**6:30pm-9:30pm Association for Research on Mothering/Demeter Press
Book/Journal launch and Reception/SPECIAL PERFORMANCE**

(SPADINA ROOM A & B, 1ST FLOOR)

- ARM journal Vol. 9.1 *Young Mothers*

***Introduction by Linda Hunter (ARM Journal Guest Editorial Board Member)**

- *Maternal Theory: Essential Readings* (Andrea O'Reilly, ed) (May 2007)

- *White Ink: Poems on Mothers and Motherhood* (Rishma Dunlop, ed.) (Oct 2007)

***Selected poetry readings from contributors**

- *Mothering in the Third Wave* (Amber E. Kinser, ed.) (Dec 2007)

***Special reading by Editor, Amber E. Kinser**

***SPECIAL PERFORMANCE – “A Requiem for Leisure Time” by Jess Dobkin**

Friday, October 19, 2007

8:00am-9:00am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

(COMMON SPACE, lower level)

**9:00am-11:00am KEYNOTE PANEL
ISSUES AND ACTION FOR MATERNAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**

CHAIR - Mary Kay Blakely (University of Missouri-Columbia)

(UNIVERSITY A & B, lower level)

**Delivering Justice: Troubling Legacies of Race in Feminist Movements for
Childbirth Reform**

Sheryl Nestel (OISE/University of Toronto)

Three Dimensions of Maternal Depression

Gina Wong-Wylie (Athabasca University/Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

11:00am-11:15am

BREAK

11:15am-1:15pm

**POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION
SESSION E1**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR - Kathryn Pallister (Red Deer College)

**The “Truth” about PPD: What Foucauldian Theory Can Add to our Understanding
of Postpartum Depression**

Rebecca Godderis (University of Calgary)

**The Development and Effectiveness of Tools to Increase Recognition and Early
Treatment of Postpartum Mood Disorders**

Hiltrud Dawson (Best Start Resource Centre)

**Interventions for Postpartum Depression (PPD): Perspectives of Rural Women Who
Self-Identify as Having PPD**

Annie Boucher (Laurentian University)

**MOTHER STORIES
SESSION E2**

(YONGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Jennie Klein (Ohio University)

My Mother, Myself?

Patricia Miller-Schroeder (University of Regina)

Mothers’ Stories of Seeking Help for Postpartum Depression

Pat Hill Bailey (Laurentian University)

Sheri Johnson Purdon (Canadian Mental Health Association)

Phyllis Montgomery (Laurentian University)

Motherhood, Art and Maternal Metaphors

Myrel Chernick (Artist)

Nurturing our Children, Nurturing our Art

Alana Ruben Free (Writer, Editor *The Mom Egg*)

Queer Motherhood: Resisting the Patriarchal Frame

Sarah Jefferis (SUNY, Binghamton)

**MOTHERING, RACE AND CLASS
SESSION E3**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR - Deirdre M. Condit (Virginia Commonwealth University)

Maternal Loss: (Parenting when her Child is not there):

**An Inquiry into the Lives of Women in Post-Colonial Societies; The Caribbean,
South America and Former Imperial Nations**

Roxann Bradshaw (Utrecht University)

**'Small Heads,' 'Large Pelvises,' and Pregnant Women who 'Feel No Pain,': The
Historic Treatment of Black Women in the Development of Western 'Obstetrics'**

Deirdre M. Condit (Virginia Commonwealth University)

Masquerades: Black Mother's Perception of Self

Holly A. Haynes (Georgia Gwinnett College)

**EMPOWERED MOTHERING
SESSION E4**

(LEASIDE, lower level)

CHAIR - Alison Hayford (University of Regina)

**Hear *Their* Voices! Caring Mothers' Perceptions of Education as the Ladder for
Social Mobility**

Renee White-Clark (St. Joseph's College)

Grace Lappin (Hunter College, SUNY)

Co-Workers in the Mother Trade: Grace Paley's Empowered Mothers

Kremena Todorova (Transylvania University)

**Between the Baby and the Bathwater: Towards a Mother-Centred Theory
of Empowered Mothering**

Andrea O'Reilly (York University)

**YOUNG MOTHERS
SESSION E5
(*embedded conference)**

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Deborah Byrd (Lafayette College)

Title IX and Equal Rights to Education in the United States for Pregnant and Parenting Students

Katherine Arnoldi (Binghamton University)

"Don't Look down on me because I have one" Young Mothers Empowered in a Context of Support

Rachel Berman (Ryerson University)

The Perception of Class and Consumerism in Teen Mothers

Gwen Rusmisl (Beloit College)

Respite Care: All Parents Deserve a Break!

Brooke Cunningham (Jessie's Centre for Teenagers)

Jessie Chabot (Jessie's Centre for Teenagers)

**PERFORMANCE/WORKSHOP
SESSION E6**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Debi Lade (Artist)

Adventures in Mothering: Mothering, Racial Profiling, Choice, Political Agency, Hope and Empowerment

Ché Marville (Motivational Speaker, Writer)

Illustrated Journaling

Debi Lade (Artist)

***** Illustrated Journaling is a way to bridge women to themselves and each other. A workshop designed to explore sharing our lived experiences as women and as mothers without words.**

1:15pm-2:15pm

LUNCH (on your own)

2:15pm-4:15pm

**WORKSHOPS
SESSION F1**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR – Joy Rose (President and Founder of Mamapolooza Inc.)

Mother Writing: Healing the Wounds

Rosie Rosenzweig (Brandeis University)

LIVE LOUD! Becoming Mothers of Unlimited Self-esteem.

Joy Rose (President and Founder of Mamapolooza Inc.)

**** Workshop will begin with a group exercise. Optional: Participants bring a one-minute story, song, poem, or autobiographical piece that sums up a mothering experience they most wish to share. *Should not exceed 1 minute. Participants do not need professional performance experience. This is a group for nurturing the heart and soul**

**MOTHERING AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING
SESSION F2**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Hiltrud Dawson (Best Start Resource Centre)

Mothering in Poverty: Single Mothers Speak Out

Mary Russell (University of British Columbia)

Mothering and the Illogic of Capitalism: Caring Labour in Ontario's Child Protection System

Susan Preston (Ryerson University)

Some Knots Won't Come Untangled: Mothering and Class Identity

Amber E. Kinser (East Tennessee State University)

**MOTHERING CHALLENGES
SESSION F3**

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Erica Hesch Anstey (University of South Florida)

Two Case-Reports of Delay and Confusion in Start-to-Speak in Bilingual Children

Mehrnaz Ahmadi Joobaneh (Editor, Translator)

The Impact of Endocrine Disruptors on Maternal Health: A Feminist Precautionary Perspective

Erica Hesch Anstey (University of South Florida)

puttingonahappyface: Web Images of Mothering Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Laura Dreuth Zeman (Southern Illinois University)

**BECOMING A MOTHER
SESSION F4**

(YONGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Kathryn Pallister (Red Deer College)

‘When Did I Become a Mother?’: Improving the Pre-Term Delivery Experience for Mothers

Kathryn Pallister (Red Deer College)

Looking Beyond the Surface: An In-depth Review of Maternity and Parental Benefits for New Mothers

Michelle Harris Genge (Women's Network PEI)

From Melancholy to Madness: A Social and Historical Analysis of Post-partum Psychiatric Disorders in the Popular Press

Lisa Held (York University)

**SOCIAL SUPPORTS AND MATERNAL WELL-BEING
SESSION F5**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR – Christine Saulnier (Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women’s Health)

Parent-Child Programmes as Sites (or Not) for Maternal Well-Being

Roz Stooke (University of Western Ontario)

Pamela J. McKenzie (University of Western Ontario)

From Silence to Solidarity: Listening to Mothers’ Voices

Ruth Nemzoff (Brandeis University)

Childbearing Lesbians: A Conceptual Framework for Access to Care

Judith MacDonnell (York University)

4:15pm-4:30pm

BREAK

**4:30pm-6:30pm MOTHERING AND HEALTH ISSUES IN PREGNANCY
SESSION G1**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Gina Wong-Wylie (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

Psychophysiologic Responses to Acupressure Used as a Pre-Birth Treatment at Full Term Pregnancy

Katie Moriarty (Certified Nurse Midwife, Chicago)

Weighting to be Thin: An Eating Disorders and Pregnancy Website Resource

Amanda Hayward (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

Gina Wong-Wylie (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

**MOTHERING AND MENTAL HEALTH
SESSION G2**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR – Elizabeth Soliday (Washington State University)

Intensive Mothering and Young Mothers' Mental Health

Jennifer Love (York University)

Where are “Mothers” in Canadian Mental Health Policies?

Anne Stack (University of British Columbia)

MotherArt and Mental Health

Rosie Rosenzweig (Brandeis University)

**REPRESENTATIONS OF THE MATERNAL
IN LITERATURE AND POPULAR CULTURE
SESSION G3**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Deirdre M. Condit (Virginia Commonwealth University)

The Children of Men?: How Men Treat Women in Western Popular Culture

Deirdre M. Condit (Virginia Commonwealth University)

**‘Mamma, Did You Ever Love Us?’: The Consequences that the Child’s Idealization
of Mother-Love has on Mothers in Toni Morrison’s *Sula* and *Beloved***

Mari Carmen Marin-Dietert (University of Houston)

**Reclaiming the Maternal Body: Mitigating Loss in Elizabeth Clinton’s
“The Countess of Lincoln’s Nursery”**

Jennifer Brooke Goldberg (University of Louisville)

The Paradox of Motherlove: Claiming the Joyful Indeterminate I

Sarah Jefferis (SUNY, Binghamton)

**INDIGENOUS/ABORIGINAL MOTHERS AND HEALTH
SESSION G4**

(LEASIDE, lower level)

CHAIR - Joanne Whitty-Rogers (St. Francis Xavier University)

Experiences of Mi'kmaq Women Living With Gestational Diabetes Mellitus

Joanne Whitty-Rogers (St. Francis Xavier University)

Aboriginal Women Living with HIV/AIDS: Honoring Their Stories Through Aboriginal Methodology

Donna M. Hill (University of British Columbia)

**MOTHERING CHALLENGES
SESSION G5**

(YONGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Rachel Berman (Ryerson University)

The Meaning of Motherhood for Women from the South of Spain Wishing to Re-Enter the Labour Market

Magdalena Suarez Ortega (National University of Distance Education, Madrid)

Lies, Secrets, and Silence: A Birth Mother's Experience of Closed Adoption

Myrl Coulter (University of Alberta)

Pathologizing or Validating: Intake workers' Discursive Constructions of Mothers

Rachel Berman (Ryerson University)

6:30pm-7:30pm **Dinner (on your own)**

7:30pm-9:00pm **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

(UNIVERSITY A & B, lower level)

CHAIR – Linn Baran (Mother Outlaws Coordinator)

Between Interruptions: 30 Writers Tell the Truth about Motherhood

Cori Howard (Journalist, Writer, author of *Between Interruptions*)

Including readings from Contributors:

Leanne Delap

Marina Jiménez

Estee Klar-Wolfond

Jen Lawrence

Susan Olding

Sheree-Lee Olson

Katrina Onstad

Harmony Rice

9:00pm-1:00am DANCE AND SOCIAL

(SPADINA A & B, 1ST FLOOR)

Saturday, October 20, 2007

8:30am-9:30am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

(COMMON SPACE, lower level)

9:00am-11:00am

**KEYNOTE PANEL
SUPPORTING YOUNG MOTHERS
(*embedded conference)**

(UNIVERSITY A & B, lower level)

CHAIR – Andrea O'Reilly (York University)

**Honour Roll student + Age 17 + Blossoming Career in Music + Pregnancy
= Single Teen Mother**

Amanda Cain (Yo'Mama Magazine/Literature for Life)

**Building Opportunities: Working with Young Parents - a Service Provider's
Perspective**

Louise Moody (Humewood House)

Collaborative Approaches to Support for Homeless Young Mothers

Julie Maher (Young Parent's No Fixed Address)

Using Human Rights to Advance and Protect Maternal Needs in Ontario

Barbara Hall (Chief Commissioner of the Ontario Human Rights Commission)

11:00am-11:15am

BREAK

11:15am-1:15 pm

**PREGNANCY AND BIRTH
SESSION H1**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR -Amber E. Kinser (East Tennessee State University)

When Illness Strikes in Pregnancy

Marilyn Evans (University of Western Ontario)

**Beyond Satisfaction: Birth Stories Capture Women's Experiences and Expectations
of Maternity Care**

Christine Saulnier (Atlantic Centre of Excellence for Women's Health)

A Mosaic of Pregnancy Expertise

Amber E. Kinser (East Tennessee State University)

**MOTHERING IN ACADEME
SESSION H2**

(BAY B, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Kremena Todorova (Transylvania University)

Female PhD Graduates: Expectations, Health & Well-Being

Rose Barg (Educational Program Manager)

Carolyn Peters (Social Worker)

Marlene Pomrenke (Program Specialist)

Breastfeeding Challenges and Workplace Solutions for Academic Mothers

Michele L. Vancour (Southern Connecticut State University)

Being a Mother in Academe: Challenges, Possibilities and Change

Andrea O'Reilly (York University)

**SUPPORTING MOTHERS
SESSION H3**

(DAVENPORT, 1st floor)

CHAIR - Kande Kosior (OISE/University of Toronto)

Struggling Readers: Common Causes and Methods that Mothers can use to Support their Children as they Struggle to Learn to Read

Karen Prince (The College of New Jersey, Trenton)

Contagion and Motherhood: Maternal Care in the Context of HIV/AIDS

Pamela Downe (University of Saskatchewan)

Women's Human Rights and Maternal Health

Kande Kosior (OISE/University of Toronto)

**YOUNG MOTHERS
SESSION H4
(*embedded conference)**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Fiona J. Grren (University of Winnipeg)

Priority Service Needs for Pregnant and Parenting Youth

Wendy E. Peterson (University of Ottawa)
Phyllis Montgomery (Laurentian University)
Denise Moreau (University of Ottawa)

Profile of Inner City Single Adolescent Mothers

Aviva Werek Sokolsky (Mount Sinai Hospital)

The Paradox of Power and Control in the Lives of Pregnant Teenagers and Young Mothers

Geraldine Brady (Coventry University)
Gayle Letherby (University of Plymouth)

The Politics of Ambivalence: Recovery and Relapse in the Lives of Young Mothers

Fiona S. Martin (Dalhousie University)

**PERFORMANCE/FILM
SESSION H5**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR - Alana Ruben Free (Writer, Performer)

BabyLove- Performance- Maternal Sexuality

Christen Clifford (Writer, Performer)
"The most important piece of feminist theatre since *The Vagina Monologues*"
-Kulturevermitterlin
"Honest, Hilarious, and completely revealing" -Nerve.com
"As engaging as it is provocative"- San Francisco Chronicle
* explicit language and content. Babies up to 6 months welcome*

Giving Birth, Finding Self (*Beginner at Life*)

Performance film – Mothering and Anorexia

Alana Ruben Free (Writer, Performer)

1:15pm –2:15pm LUNCH (on your own)

**2:15pm-4:15pm ISSUES IN MATERNAL HEALTH
SESSION I1**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR - Marcia R. Gardner (Drexel University)

Getting the Feel for It: Mothering in First-Time Mothers of Medically Fragile Young Infants

Marcia R. Gardner (Drexel University)

For the Sake of the Children and their Mothers: Best Interest of the Children

Dara Taylor (University of Calgary)

Raising Healthy Children in a Toxic World

Franca Ursitti (Peel Region Health Department (Environmental Health Division) and the Ontario Public Health Association (Environmental Health Workgroup) partner of the Canadian Partnership for Children's Health and Environment)

**MATERNAL HEALTH CARE AND INEQUALITY
SESSION I2**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR - Jessica Shaw (Canadians for Choice)

Is Women's Legal Right of Access to Informed Decision Making in Maternity Care Assured in New Brunswick?

Kate Nicholl (Sheffield University, U.K)

Mothering in Slums: Social Construction of Reproductive Health and Healthcare by Women in Marginalized Communities in New Delhi, India

Alekhya Das (Baba) (University of New Brunswick)

Reproductive and Maternal Care of Women with Disabilities

Linda Long-Bellil (Brandeis University)

Mary G. Mason (Brandeis University)

**MOTHERING AND HIV/AIDS
SESSION I3**

(COLLEGE, lower level)

CHAIR – Pamela Downe (University of Saskatchewan)

Maternal Health, Well Being and HIV/AIDS Support

Linda Hunter (University of Guelph)

The Effects of Stigma on Indigenous Women Living with HIV/AIDS

Donna M. Hill (University of British Columbia)

Saving Babies and Standing Up: The Infant Feeding Research Project Intervention in Southern Africa

Ineke Buskens (Research for the Future, IFRP Project)

Happiness Mkhatswha (Research for the Future, IFRP Project)

4:15pm-4:30pm

BREAK

4:30pm-6:30pm

**MATERNAL BODY
SESSION J1**

(UNIVERSITY B, lower level)

CHAIR – Fiona Martin (Dalhousie University)

The Continuation of Us

Brenda Clews (Writer, Artist)

Ethical Considerations for Prenatal Genetic Screening: Should it be Routine?

Jennifer Ajandi (OISE/University of Toronto)

Biopolitics and Quinacrine Sterilization: Controlling Women's Fertility in the Service of Empire

Shubhra Sharma (Vanderbilt University)

The Emergence, Content, and Implications of the Discourse on Pregnant Body Image

Elena Neiterman (McMaster University)

**SOCIALCONSTRUCTIONS OF MOTHERHOOD
SESSION J2**

(UNIVERSITY A, lower level)

CHAIR – Gina Wong-Wylie (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

“Unnatural Mothers” Cross Species Boundaries

Patricia Miller-Schroeder (University of Regina)

The Social Construction of Motherhood: Implications and Interventions

Lori Walls (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

Gina Wong-Wylie (Campus Alberta Applied Psychology (CAAP))

The Complexity of Media Depictions of Feminist Issues related to Maternal Choice Elective C-sections

Michelle Everest (Wilfrid Laurier University)

**POSTER SESSION
SESSION J3**

(COMMON SPACE, lower level)

Illness and the Mother-Daughter Relationship

Kim Bonia (Memorial University of Newfoundland)

Prevalence Rates of Perinatal Depression and Anxiety Disorders in a Sample of Women at the Reproductive Life Stages Program at Women's College Hospital
Laura Orlando (The Reproductive Life Stages Program, Women's College Hospital)

Supporting Mothers with PPD: What do Fathers Need to Know?

Linda Duffett-Leger (University of New Brunswick)

Carole Hauer (Families Matter, Calgary, AB)

Born of Systematic Inequalities: Maternity Care in Nunavut

Sara Tedford Gold (CIET Canada)

Nili Kaplan-Myrth (University of Ottawa)

**MATERNAL HEALTH PROMOTION
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CHAIR – Fiona Green (University of Winnipeg)

'To Save the Mother for the Child and Child for the Mother': The Emergence of Protection of Motherhood Discourse in Early 20th Century Russia

Natalia Chernyayeva (University of Iowa)

The Conceptual Severance of the Maternal-Infant Breastfeeding Relationship

Michele McIntosh (York University)

Envisioning Comprehensive Public Policy to Support Mother's Physical, Emotional, Social and Economic Well-Being

Marika Morris (Carleton University)

Coping with Change: Integrating Feminist Praxis with Maternal Health Promotion and Education

Fiona J. Green (University of Winnipeg)

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CHAIR - Georgina Jung (MBA, York University and Student, Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine)

'You Can't Even Keep Your Room Tidy, How do you Think you'll Cope with a Baby?': When Termination or Miscarriage Appear to Resolve the Problem of Teenage pregnancy

Geraldine Brady (Coventry University)

Gayle Letherby (University of Plymouth)

Maternal Health and Access to Higher Education: Strategies for Addressing the Needs of Low-Income Single Mothers

Deborah Byrd (Lafayette College)

Rachel Gallagher (Lafayette College)

Amanda Pisetzner (Lafayette College)

Young Mothers in Canadian HIV/AIDS Awareness Posters: Underrepresentation and Concerns

Linda Hunter (University of Guelph)

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CHAIR –Andrea O'Reilly (York University)

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Taking Care: A Disabled Mother's Dialogue with her Daughter

Mary G. Mason (Brandeis University)

Maternity Matters

Margaret Haworth-Brockman (Women and Health Care Reform Group)

Vintage Breastmilk: Exploring the Discursive Limits of Feminine Fluids

Penny van Esterik (York University)

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