

Call for Papers
Canadian Society for the Study of Religion
Annual Conference

Theme—*Coasts and Continents: Exploring Peoples and Places*

The Program Committee invites submissions for the 2011 Annual Meeting of the CSSR, to be held in conjunction with the Congress of the Humanities and the Social Sciences on the campuses of University of New Brunswick & St. Thomas University, Fredericton, New Brunswick, from Saturday May 28 to Tuesday May 31, 2011.

The Board of the Federation encourages associations to adopt this theme and to develop sessions related to the topic within their own programs and to engage in intellectual debates that characterize these annual meetings.

As always, the CSSR welcomes papers and proposals on all aspects of religion, from various academic perspectives.

The deadline for all submissions (special papers and abstracts of regular papers, panels and roundtables) is **Monday, January 31, 2011**. Abstracts are to be no more than 150 words. Those greatly exceeding this limit will not be printed in the program.

Individuals must be members to have their papers accepted into the program. At least one participant of a panel should be a member.

Please note: This year we will be strictly following CSSR policy:

0. Individuals may only present one paper in a panel, and be a discussant in one Roundtable.

1. Panelists must be from different institutions.

Chaired sessions are an integral part of an effective program. Please indicate if you would be willing to chair a session at the annual meeting.

Completed special papers, abstracts of regular papers, panels and roundtables, are to be sent electronically to the Program Chair:

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** Please include the following information with your electronic submission: last name, first name, institutional affiliation, abstract, audiovisual needs, mailing address, phone number(s), fax number, and e-mail address. As well, please indicate your audio-visual needs, if any.

Submissions for the CSSR Annual Meeting may be of four types.

a. Special Papers

In order to effect a more full discussion of complete studies by Society members, blocks of time may be set aside for the presentation of, responses to, and discussion of —special|| or —major|| papers. A special paper may be grounded in a special field, but it should address matters important to all students of religion. In order to be considered, a complete version of the paper together with an abstract is to be submitted by January 31, 2011.

b. Regular Papers

The Committee invites proposals for presentations of works in progress and shorter scholarly papers for presentation. Normally, the time for actual delivery is twenty minutes, with ten minutes for questions and discussion. A 150 (maximum) word abstract should be submitted by January 31, 2011. All

audio-visual needs must be clearly noted with your initial submission. Abstracts should include some background to the topic you are proposing, a statement of methodology and an indication of your argument.

c. Panels

The Committee encourages proposals for panels, workshops and seminars. The organizer is responsible for setting the topic and involving the participants in a maximum three hour block of time (two sessions of an hour and a half each). An abstract(s) as above, together with the names and institutional affiliations of the participants, audio-visual needs, and the name of a Chair (who should not be making a presentation) is to be submitted by January 31, 2011. Panel organizers should submit both the panel abstract and the individual paper abstracts as one package. Panel organizers are expected to coordinate communication between members of the panel(s) and the Program Chair. CSSR / SCÉR Bulletin 11

d. Roundtables

The Roundtable format usually focuses on a particular issue, book, or the body of work of an individual. It consists of four (or more) short presentations followed by discussion, both with the roundtable members and audience members. As with the panel, the organizer is responsible for submitting an abstract for the Roundtable which includes the names and institutional affiliations of the participants, equipment needs, and the name of the Chair (who may also be a participant).

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. The CSSR strongly discourages panel presentations of more than three papers as it inhibits discussion. Presentations of more than 3 papers should use the Roundtable format.
2. Requests to present on specific dates **MUST** accompany the initial proposal. Date changes cannot be made to the program once it has been circulated.
3. Joint proposals (two societies combining their efforts) should be submitted to both societies for approval.
4. Acceptance of proposals will be done via e-mail, and Panel/Roundtable organizers will be responsible for informing their presenters. Members who require a 'hard copy' acceptance of their proposal for funding purposes may request one from the Program Chair.
5. Multiple presentations are not permitted. However, a participant is permitted to present one regular paper/panel presentation and one roundtable presentation.