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Accommodation

On-Campus Accommodation

Participants have three accommodation options at Simon Fraser University. Located at the west end of campus, townhouse units and dormitory accommodation are a 10-15 minute stroll from the conference venue.

Townhouse Quads (Single Rooms)

Rate: CDN \$40/room/day + 8% hotel tax + 7% GST = CDN \$46
Townhouse units sleep four per unit. Each townhouse has four single bedrooms (two on the second floor, two on the third floor), and a ground level kitchen and living room. Each bedroom has a single bed supplied with linens, duvet, pillow, and a towel set. Bed-making and towel exchange daily. (Note: The rooms in these units are not wheelchair accessible.)

McTaggart-Cowan Hall (Single Rooms)

Rate: CDN \$26/day + 8% hotel tax + 7% GST = CDN \$29.90
A traditional style co-ed dormitory residence. Each single room has a single bed, desk, chair, wardrobe closet, and small fridge. Rooms are provided with a set of towels, linens, duvet cover, and pillow. Towels are exchanged every other day. At opposite ends of the hall, there are separate men and women's washrooms that are shared by all guests; there is also one private bathroom, and one private shower. Wheelchair accessible.

McTaggart-Cowan Hall (Twin Rooms: only 8 available)

Rate: CDN \$45/day + 8% hotel tax + 7% GST = CDN \$51.75
Twin rooms contain two single beds, desk, wardrobe closet and a large fridge. All other features are the same as the McTaggart-Cowan single rooms (described above).

Check-In and Parking Information

Guests staying on campus should check-in directly at McTaggart-Cowan Hall. Check-in time is from 3:00 p.m.-12:00 midnight on day of arrival. Check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

Upon arrival, each guest will be given one front door key and one room key. Replacement for lost keys is CDN \$30. Parking can be arranged at check-in: CDN \$3.50/day/vehicle.

Payment, Cancellation and Refunds

Reservations must be guaranteed by paying one night's deposit per room. Those guests who cancel their room reservation in writing prior to May 31 will receive a full refund. There are no refunds for cancellations after this date or for participants who arrive late, depart early or do not show.

Payment can be made by cheque, MasterCard, VISA or cash. Cheques should be made payable to Simon Fraser University.

Reservations must be received by
Friday, May 17, 2002.

To make reservations, contact:
SFU Guest Accommodation Services
Telephone 604-291-4503
Fax 604-291-5598
confacom@sfu.ca
www.sfu.ca/conference-accommodation

Off-Campus Accommodation

Simon Fraser University is located at the top of Burnaby Mountain which is located approximately one hour by bus and 30-40 minutes by car from Vancouver. There are no facilities other than campus buildings on the mountain. Delegates who want to stay off campus at either of the two hotels listed below will either need a car or should be prepared to walk to the Lougheed Mall bus station (approximately a 5-10 minute walk from the two hotels listed below) and then take a bus up the mountain (a journey of approximately 20 minutes).

All rates quoted are exclusive of 8% hotel tax and 7% GST. Rates may be subject to change.

Best Western Coquitlam Inn Convention Centre

319 North Road, Coquitlam, B.C. V3K 3V8
Telephone toll free 1-800-668-3383 or
604-931-9011; fax 604-931-7298.
coquitlam_inn@bc.sympatico.ca
www.bestwesterncoqinn.com
Cost: \$89 single/double occupancy + 8% hotel tax and 7% GST.

Executive Plaza Hotel & Conference Centre

405 North Road, Coquitlam, B.C. V3K 3V9
Telephone toll free 1-888-433-3932 or
604-936-9399; fax 604-937-4577
Web site: www.executiveinnhotels.com
Cost: Deluxe room \$95 single/double occupancy + 8% hotel tax and 7% GST.
The Executive Plaza Hotel offers a complimentary shuttle service within the Tri-City area (including Simon Fraser University). However, we do not recommend that you count on this service to transport you to/from the university.

Getting to Simon Fraser University

The taxi fare from the airport to Simon Fraser University is approximately \$50, \$30 from downtown Vancouver, and \$12 from nearby hotels. Travel time to the university from the airport takes about 45 minutes to an hour. Travel time from Vancouver to the University takes about 30-40 minutes by car.

Disclaimer

The LMDA and Simon Fraser University will accept no liability for personal injuries sustained by or for loss or damage to property belonging to conference participants and their guests either during or as a result of the conference.

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LMDA Conference 2002 New Play Development

Challenging Assumptions

June 13-16, 2002

Simon Fraser University
Burnaby, British Columbia

"Insanity (n.): the practice of doing the same thing over and over again, and expecting different results." *-folk saying*

The reading. The workshop. The staged reading. The dreaded "talk-back." And the resulting new play that looks... just like all the other new plays created or developed using these standard methods. Is it insanity to expect those methods to produce a variety of work? Or will the results be the same, every time?

So...why do so many new play development programs look alike? Are we producing plays that are unique in how they reflect our artistic vision? What role do we have as dramaturgs in defining what that vision is? What gains and losses have we taken in carving out programs and festivals that are intended to support and showcase new plays? How are we responding to and supporting the growth of new work that challenges, excites, and confounds us? What is not working in new play development?

If we can say that theatre is a way of communicating the world to our communities, then it is especially true that in new plays we have an opportunity to communicate the best of our imagination to our audiences, speaking directly from our hearts. It seems like it is time, now that we have won some ground in the debate about why new work is important at all, that we have a family discussion—an all-out in-house stay-up-late-pound-the-table session—about what is not working in play development. Because if we can't have this discussion, who can?

This is the territory that we want to tread with you in Vancouver, British Columbia, at our June conference. We invite you to bring all your experience, passion, and imagination to the table to spend a few days challenging our assumptions about play development, and our role in the processes we create, sustain, promote, and tolerate.

2002 Conference Co-ordinators

Rachel Ditor, *Freelance Dramaturg, Vancouver*
Megan Monaghan, *Literary Director, Alliance Theatre, Atlanta*

Conference Overview

Thursday, June 13/02

10:00-08:00	Registration
12:00-01:00	Lunch (<i>provided</i>)
01:00-05:00	University/Student caucus
05:00-08:00	Dinner
08:00-09:30	Keynote
09:30-	Meet & greet (SFU pub)

Friday, June 14/02

08:00-09:00	Executive meeting
09:00-09:30	Introduction / welcome
09:30-01:00	Breakouts: Radical propositions
01:00-02:00	Bus to Granville Island
02:00-03:00	Lunch (with Canadian playwrights)
03:00-04:15	Playwright interviews
04:15-04:45	Break
04:45-06:00	Business meeting #1: Reports
06:00-07:30	Playwright wine & cheese tasting (<i>provided</i>)
07:30-10:00	Dinner / performance options
10:00-11:00	Bus to SFU
11:00-	Meet & greet (SFU pub)

Saturday, June 15/02

09:00-10:15	Play development workshops: A 1. Developing musicals 2. Dramaturgy: Inside & outside 3. Festivals: Re-examining risk
10:15-10:45	Break
10:45-12:00	Play development workshops: B 1. Commission to production 2. Responding to current events 3. Issues in artistic leadership
12:00-02:00	Lunch
02:00-04:00	Advocacy caucus
04:00-04:30	Break
04:30-06:00	Business meeting #2: New business
06:00-07:00	Break
07:00-08:30	Reception/Banquet (<i>provided with full fee</i>)
08:30-09:30	Awards
09:30-	Meet & greet (SFU pub)

Sunday, June 16/02

09:00-10:00	Board meeting
10:00-11:00	Regional breakfast (<i>provided</i>)
11:00-12:00	Conference 03 planning
12:00-01:00	Executive meeting

LMDA Conference 2002

Membership

LMDA member conference rates assume a new or renewed membership through May 31, 2003. Please complete the enclosed form and mail with payment to the appropriate LMDA Office (New York or Toronto).

Registration

All conference participants are expected to register. Daily fees are available for those attendees who are unable to attend the whole meeting. As a special incentive, a reduced "early bird" fee is being offered on the full conference registration fee.

Full Conference Fee includes all conference sessions, Thursday lunch, Friday wine and cheese and bus to/from Granville Island, Saturday banquet and Sunday breakfast.

Day Fee includes the conference sessions and meals provided for that day. For example, the Thursday *Day Fee* includes the lunch on that day, while the Friday *Day Fee* includes the wine and cheese reception and transportation to/from Granville Island. Please note that the Saturday *Day Fee* does not include the banquet.

Early Full Fee (before or postmarked Friday, May 17)

LMDA member	US \$150 / CDN \$236
Non-member	US \$200 / CDN \$314
LMDA student member	US \$75 / CDN \$118
Student non-member	US \$100 / CDN \$157

Full Fee (after Friday, May 17 and on-site)

LMDA member	US \$175 / CDN \$275
Non-member	US \$225 / CDN \$354
LMDA student member	US \$100 / CDN \$157
Student non-member	US \$125 / CDN \$197

Day Fees (available for Thursday, Friday or Saturday)

LMDA member	US\$ 50 / CDN \$79
Non-member	US \$75 / CDN \$118
LMDA student member	US \$25 / CDN \$40
Student non-member	US \$40 / CDN \$63

Tickets for Saturday Awards Reception and Banquet
US \$25 / CDN \$40. You may wish to purchase a ticket for the Saturday banquet if you are only registering for one day of the conference or if you plan to bring a guest. Please note that pre-registration is required for this event. Your ticket is required for admission to this event.

Conference Contacts

Conference Co-ordinators

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Conference_Services@sfu.ca

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416-214-1992
bquirt@interlog.com

Ways to Register

By mail: complete and mail the registration form with your conference fee payment (cheques or bank drafts in US or Canadian dollars, VISA and MasterCard) to SFU Conference Services (see address below).
By fax: complete registration form and fax to 604-291-3420 (VISA or MasterCard only).

For more information: phone us at 604-291-4910/3012 or e-mail us at Conference_Services@sfu.ca

Please note:

- registrations will not be processed without fee payment
- all credit card transactions will be processed in Canadian dollars and are subject to current exchange rates.

Receipts

Receipts will be available for collection at the Conference Registration Desk. You will be sent an e-mail (or letter if you do not have an e-mail address) with confirmation of your registration and updated conference information.

Cancellations and Refunds

Full refunds, less a US \$15 / CDN \$24 processing fee, will be granted to cancellations received on or before Wednesday, June 5, 2002. No refunds will be issued after June 5. Refunds will be processed after the conference. Substitutions are permitted up to and including the first day of the conference.

Important Dates:

Friday, May 17
Deadline for payment
of early registration fee
to reserve on-campus accommodation

Thursday, May 30
Deadline to email bio to
ddkugler@sfu.ca

Wednesday, June 5
Deadline to receive refund (less
processing fee) if cancelling
conference registration

SFU Conference Accommodation*

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Townhouse: CDN \$40/day/room + tax
Single Room: CDN \$26/day/room + tax
Twin Room: CDN \$45/day/room + tax

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