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***Objects Matter: Making Histories in Museums***

*THEN/HiER Fourth Annual Regional Conference*

*Museum of Anthropology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver*

*October 7, 2013*

This year’s conference, organized by members of THEN/HiER’s Graduate Student Committee, will bring together graduate students, professors, teachers, museum educators and community members. Topics include issues of historical consciousness; indigenous knowledges; and inclusive, community-based museology. In addition to speakers, break-out sessions will allow participants to explore how museums can connect with social studies and history curricula, using historical consciousness, multiple perspectives in history education, indigenous histories, and practices of participatory museology. There is no registration fee, but you must register for the conference in advance as space is limited.

***Schedule***

**8:15-9:00am** Registration (coffee and tea)

**9:00-9:05am** Musqueam Traditional Welcome

**9:05-9:20am** Opening remarks and introductions

**9:20-9:55am** *Museology with a Good Heart and Open Mind*

Terry Point, Researcher/Community Outreach/Curator, Musqueam Cultural Centre

**9:55-10:30am** *No Single Paradigm for Collaborative Museology – Community Curation Possibilities and Pitfalls*

Jennifer Kramer, Curator, Pacific Northwest, Museum of Anthropology and Associate Professor, Anthropology, UBC

**10:30-10:50am** Break (continental breakfast buffet)

**10:50-11:25am** *Sex Talk in the City: A Conceptual Bridge Between* *Theoretical and Practical Preoccupations*

Viviane Gosselin, Curator of Contemporary Issues, Museum of Vancouver

**11:25am -12:45 pm** Catered lunch followed by free time in the galleries

**12:45-1:20pm** “*Voices of the Canoe” Website Presentation*

Jill Baird, Curator, Education/Public Programs, Museum of Anthropology, University of British Columbia

**1:20-1:55pm** *Diverse Histories, Diverse Communities: Exploring Multiple Perspectives in the Mudflatters Education Kit*

Emily Ooi, Educational Programs Coordinator and Kimberly Baker, Programs Facilitator, Museum of Richmond

**1:55-2:15pm** Break (coffee, tea, snacks)

**2:15-2:50pm** *The Sepass Canoe: Sharing Stó:lō Histories In (and Out of) Museums*

Madeline Knickerbocker, PhD Candidate, Department of History, Simon Fraser University

**2:50-3:40pm** Break-out sessions in galleries led by Elsa Lenz Kothe (UBC), Heather McGregor (UBC), Cynthia Wallace-Casey (UNB), and Kate Zankowicz (U of T)

**3:40-4:00pm** Sharing insights from break-out sessions and closing remarks

**Break-out Session Topics:**

1. Teaching historical thinking concepts using museum collections

2. Collaborative community-based practice in museum education

3. Indigenous perspectives on the cultural and historical contexts of objects

4. Engaging students to think critically about collections

**Please register to** **objectsmatter@gmail.com** **indicating your first and second choice for the break-out session group.**