

May 2022 eBulletin



Guest Talks Wanted!

The national Later Life Learning Network emerging in Canada is facilitating the exchange of presentations and lectures across the country and internationally. If you have a talk on the shelf that you are prepared to repeat for our Canadian colleagues by Zoom, please contact Frank Nicholson at fnicholson@rogers.com. The talk can be on just about any subject but should ideally be either thirty minutes or an hour long.

The Study Group of Your Dreams

Is there a particular subject you'd like to know more about? There is no better way to learn than to organize a study group on the subject. Deadline for proposals for the Fall semester is May 17. Someone from the Curriculum Committee can help you prepare a proposal if you're interested. For more information contact Sheila Mason: sheila.mason@concordia.ca

Hybrid Study Groups Are Here!

Hats off to ALL our Zoom hosts who have been hard at work training the moderators who are hosting hybrid study groups that combine in-class and Zoom attendees in the spring term in our newly-equipped classroom at 680 Sherbrooke Street. Special thanks to Tim Skene, Krystyna Stewart and Susan van Gelder.

Women in the STEM Spotlight

This month's McGill Library print book and ebook displays spotlight women in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). The books are about remarkable women who made advances in their fields, despite major challenges of oppression and harassment. They tell the stories of women in STEM who did not quit. The print book display can be found on the main floor of the Redpath Library Building in the McLennan-Redpath Complex, during the month of May. Take a look at what is on offer in the McGill Library catalogue list for the Women in STEM print book display. The Women in STEM ebook display has an additional 100 titles to explore online. For more information, contact MCLL Librarian, April Colosimo (april.colosimo@mcgill.ca).

Visual Artists of MCLL

Share your creative talents with us. The members lounge is a wonderful gallery in which to exhibit your work. For information and to reserve a show for the 2022-23 year, contact Jackie Cytrynbaum, jackiecytrynbaum@gmail.com 514-730-9419

MCLL Spring Lecture Series by McGill Professors

Check out MCLL's guest lectures by McGill professors presenting and discussing their cutting edge research in our Spring Lecture Series at <https://www.mcgill.ca/mcll/lectures#guest%20lectures>

Help Wanted! Looking for New Study Group Hosts and Co-moderators for the Fall

Requirements: a good internet connection, experience in MCLL Zoom study groups and an interest in learning new skills. MCLL's hosts meet regularly to learn from each other. New hosts get training and are paired with an experienced host. You need to be prepared to commit to hosting at least one Zoom-only study group in the Fall. If interested, e-mail Susan van Gelder susanvg@mac.com If you are looking for a co-moderator or are interested in becoming one, please send an email by May 17 with or without your chosen topic, to Sheila Mason at sheila.mason@concordia.ca

Moderators' Lunch

On April 6, MCLL hosted a lunch at the Omni Hotel to thank the moderators, lecturers, and Zoom hosts who kept us going through 2020-21 and 2021-22. This was the first time we could hold the Moderators' Lunch since 2019. It was delightful to be together again in person!

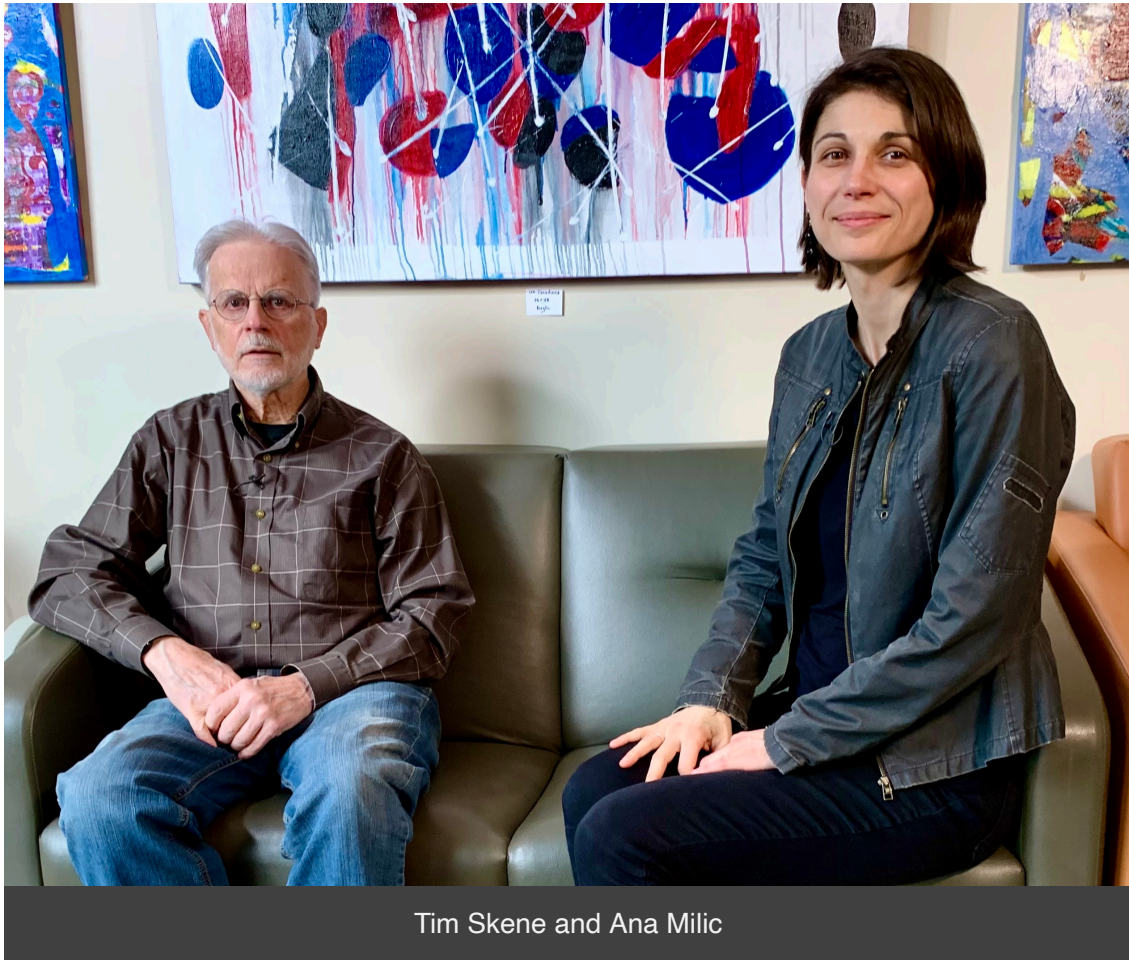
Some of our hard working hosts and moderators discuss and exchange their work and ideas at lunch. Become part of the group!



Clockwise from far left: Sandra Baines, Elizabeth Robinson, Marjorie Northrup, Mark Peacock, Lorne Huston, Catherine Watson and Louise Fullerton

The "Welcome Back to MCLL" Video - CHECK IT OUT!

We are proud to present our Welcome Back to MCLL video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdFXD9X9SBc&t=2s> presented by Program Administrator Ana Milic and vice-president Robert Winters, and put together with help from Tim Skene. As we open our doors at 680 Sherbrooke Street for the first time after two years, we want to show you all the work that's been going on behind the scenes. You will get a chance to see how our hybrid classrooms work and hear interviews with key people who made this project to create MCLL 2.0 possible. With this video, we also want to thank all of you who believed in us and supported our fundraising campaign to make our space accessible to all lifelong learners.



MCLL's Fundraising Campaign Hits \$21,280!


Almost 100 MCLL members and friends have contributed \$21,280 to our fundraising campaign to help make our study groups more accessible to all members, wherever they are. This includes \$4,621 in McGill24 Matching Funds from the university because of very generous contributions made during a McGill-wide special fundraising day last month. You can show your support for our campaign goal of reaching \$35,000 by following this link <https://crowdfunding.mcgill.ca/ui/main/p/MCLL> Our fundraising campaign has been led by Seeds of Change ambassadors Ana Milic, MCLL's Program Administrator, and Robert Winters, Vice-president and chair of the Development Committee.

MCLL Goes International

MCLL has been accepted as a member of the international federation of lifelong learning organizations. Many organizations like MCLL in various countries are members of this group, representing thousands of members. Membership in AIUTA, the International Federation of Lifelong Learning Organizations, will allow MCLL to forge new links with lifelong learning organizations around the world and help shape the future of lifelong learning. President Jeff Sidel said membership in AIUTA and MCLL's new hybrid facilities open new areas of possible international collaboration. Check out: <https://www.aiu3a.org/v2/universities-en.html> to see which countries are represented in this group.

MCLL Indigenous Relations Group Corner

The MCLL Indigenous Relations Group is working on promoting Indigenous content and worldviews as well as creating opportunities for our members to learn about TRC and Indigenous Cultures. Here are some events we have chosen to highlight this month:

- McGill Engineering's Indigenous Digital Art Display -- This Art Display was launched in mid-April and will be open to visitors for a year. The exhibit features 30 artworks from a variety of First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities, curated by the Indigenous Inclusion Committee from McGill's Visual Arts Collection. It is the first exhibit of its kind at McGill. See https://youtu.be/Dy8Tgz3zD_A and <https://reporter.mcgill.ca/projections-kwe-now-on-display-at-mcconnell-engineering-building/>
 - Kahnawake Pow-Wow 2022 is back after a long two-year hiatus! -- Powwow is considered a cultural sharing event for all to learn about Indigenous Cultures and share ideas and information. <http://kahnawakepowwow.com/>
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News, opinions and views on any MCLL-related topic are most welcome. Just contact Robert Foster, the eBulletin editor, at rgfoster@gmail.com.

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