

CALL FOR PAPERS – CASBC/ACÉHL

Many Books, Many Communities

The twelfth annual meeting of the
CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF BOOK CULTURE
ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE POUR L'ÉTUDE DE L'HISTOIRE DU LIVRE

Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences
University of Calgary
May 29-30, 2016

CASBC/ACÉHL, founded to bring together scholars studying written communication in all its forms and processes, is pleased to announce its twelfth annual meeting at the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in Calgary.

In response to the “One Book, One City” campaign, which has now reached Canada, and the 2016 Congress theme “Energizing Communities,” CASBC/ACÉHL invites proposals for papers and presentations on the theme **Many Books, Many Communities**. We encourage scholars to consider book history and print culture in relation to the many uses of books, broadly defined, in the formation, maintenance, energizing, and transformation of communities of all kinds. Possible topics may include:

- Books and communities—local, regional, national, global
- Books and communities of belief
- Books and subcultures / Books and counter-cultures
- Books and dissident communities
- Books and scholarly communities
- Books and communities of their producers, such as artisan communes, co-operatives of various kinds, educational movements
- Books and political movements
- Books and communities of readers
- Books and communities of distributors and circulators
- Circulation of books in communities

Papers and panels on any topic related to book history are welcome, but priority will be given to proposals that address the chosen theme in any time period or geographical area. The program co-chairs also encourage papers that apply an interdisciplinary approach to the study of book history and print culture.

Proposals may be submitted in English or in French. Please send your proposal, including a title, 250-word abstract and a one-page CV, in .doc format to both program co-chairs **Gary Kelly**, Department of English and Film Studies, University of Alberta, [gkelly@ualberta.ca] and **Joan Judge**, Department of History, York University, [judge@yorku.ca] before **January 15, 2016**. We also encourage proposals for three-paper panels.

***Please note that presenters must be members of CASBC/ACÉHL by the time of the conference, and that all presenters and participants must be registered through Congress in order to participate. For further information, visit <http://congress2016.ca/>**

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE 2016 CONFERENCE

* The keynote speaker for the CASBC/ACEHL conference will be Professor Massimo Ciavolella, Director of the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies of the University of California, Los Angeles. This international lecture will be co-sponsored by the Canadian Society for Renaissance Studies and the Canadian Society of Medievalists.

* CASBC/ACEHL will also collaborate with the Bibliographical Society of Canada on a joint session on May 30, 2016.

For further information on CASBC/ACEHL, please consult our website: <http://casbc-acehl.dal.ca/>