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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Emily Birky will be presenting her PhD dissertation proposal as part of her comprehensive exam in AnSo 2107 on Monday May 11 at 11:00am. All are welcome!

Welcome back Andrew Martindale! Andrew will be instructing the Field School, ANTH 306(921) this summer.

Please welcome Sonja Luehrmann, our Izaak Walton Killam Postdoctoral Research Fellow. Sonja starts June 1st and comes to us from the University of Michigan. Sonja's office is AnSo 3127. Contact info: sluehrma(at)umich.edu

Welcome to our new faculty member, Mike Richards! Mike will start officially in the department on July 1, 2009 and will be located in AnSo 1209. His new email is: mpricha@interchange.ubc.ca

The Advisory Committee for the Reappointment of the Director of the Museum of Anthropology has put forward a strong recommendation in favour of reappointing Dr. Anthony Shelton for a second five-year term. **Dr. Shelton has agreed to continue serving as Director of the Museum of Anthropology.**

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to the graduate students below that have successfully completed their theses:

ANGELBECK, William - PhD thesis - (2009) "They Recognize No Superior Chief": Power, Practice, Anarchism and Warfare in the Coast Salish Past [Supervisor: Mike Blake, Committee: Bruce Miller, R.G. Matson]

FINK-JENSEN, Kimberley Dawn - MA thesis - (2009) The 'Involved Father': Narratives of Gender, Power and Knowledge in the Transition to Fatherhood. [Supervisor: Bill McKellin, Committee: Janice Boddy]

TAYLOR, Jayme - MA thesis - (2009) Convention Cosplay: Subversive Potential in Anime Fandom. [Supervisor: Alexia Bloch, Committee: Sharalyn Orbaugh]

VAN DER EST, Leonard Lawrence - MA thesis - (2009) Uniting Thailand: Cultural Production and National Unity. [Supervisor: Gaston Gordillo, Committee: Jim Glassman]

Congratulations to Natalie Baloy! The UBC committee (made up of representatives from the Departments of History, English, Political Science, Anthropology, Theatre, and Art History) has unanimously endorsed Natalie Baloy for the Newberry Summer Graduate Student Institute this summer.

Congratulations to Millie Creighton, who has been invited and funded to present her research on Japan-Korea relations in Stockholm, Sweden, by the Swedish Institute of International Affairs, the European Institute of Japanese Studies, and the Stockholm School of Economics.

Congratulations to Oralía Gómez-Ramírez, who has been awarded a SSHRC Vanier Scholarship!

Congratulations to Jennifer Ramsay, who is the recipient of the UBC Anthropology Students Association Teaching Award for 2008-09!

PRESENTATIONS:

Chris Condin

Invited Presentation: 'Families' Experiences with Medical Research for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy and an Overview of Qualitative Research Methods in Health Care. *Pediatric Neurology Rounds, London Health Sciences Centre, University of Western Ontario, April 6, 2009.*

REMINDERS:

Book Launch Co-Presented by MOA and UBC Press

Friday May 1, 3:00 pm

Join us to mark the publication of two outstanding books on First Nations cultural heritage: *Protection of First Nations Cultural Heritage: Laws, Policy, and Reform. Edited by Catherine Bell and Robert K. Paterson* and *First Nations Cultural Heritage and Law: Case Studies, Voices, and Perspectives. Edited by Catherine Bell and Val Napoleon.*

Webb Keane, Professor, Anthropology, University of Michigan

"On Spirit Writing: Materiality, Words, and their Magic"

Monday May 4, 5:30 pm

Location: Lasserre 102

**Part of the Joan Carlisle Irving Lecture Series "The Politics of Materiality and Matters of the Biopolitical".*

CASCA/AES Conference

The conference will be held May 13-16 on the UBC-Vancouver campus under the theme "Transnational Anthropologies: Convergences and Divergences in Globalized Disciplinary Networks."

For program info, please go to: http://www.anth.ubc.ca/Preliminary_Program.12511.0.html

Discussion session with Anthony Shelton

Anthony will share his reflections and vision for the Museum over the next five years.

Wednesday June 10, 11:30am-1:00pm

Multipurpose Room - Liu Institute for Global Issues

6476 NW Marine Drive

UBC - Vancouver campus

THANKS:

Thanks to our Graduate and Undergraduate reps this past year for their contributions at Department meetings and in the department as a whole!

Dai Cooper (Undergrad W1 and W2), Molly Malone (Graduate W1) and Solen Roth (Graduate W2).

**New reps for 2009-10 will be announced in our August issue.*