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CONGRATULATIONS!

- Dr. Amirpouyan Shiva for receiving the Best Undergraduate Teaching Award 2022!

- Hannah McElgunn (Killam Postdoctoral Fellow) who will soon commence a tenure-track position in the department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario.

- Graduates of 2022!
  The Anthropology Department is pleased to congratulate the Class of 2022 – PhDs, MAs, and BAs (including Majors, Minors and Honours) – on its achievements. The UBC Anthropology Department celebrated its first hybrid graduation Ceremony on Thursday, May 26, 2022. Anthropology students, faculty, staff, parents, friends and family members joined from around the globe for this hybrid graduation.
Evan Teruo Koike
Supervisor:
Dr. Bruce Miller / Dr. Millie Creighton

Dissertation:
Raising smiling fathers: The construction of masculinity in Japanese nonprofit organizations that promote engaged parenting

Emma Rose Feltes
Supervisor:
Dr. Carole Blackburn

Dissertation:
"We don’t need your constitution": Patriation and Indigenous self-determination in British Columbia

Martina Volfova
Supervisor:
Dr. Patrick Moore

Dissertation: Dene K’eh gkdzededéh: The ongoing conversations of Kaska language reclamation and revitalization
### Anthropology Majors

- Kaede Claire Ashizawa
- Catarina Astley Weinrich Pereira
- Inbar Av-Shalom
- Celine Baleza
- Autumn Beach
- Kyana Boily
- Victor Chan
- Amanda Chapman
- Rodney Little Mustache
- Zoe McDaniel
- Natalie Minniss
- Carolina Miranda
- Haruka Noguchi
- Anais Paty
- Patrick Richards
- Garance Thery
- Michelle Chen
- Ian Ditchburn
- Tamara Dzeletovic
- Hannah Farquhar
- Gabi Joffe
- Diana Kalyn
- Michael Lee
- Braedyn Lemckert
- Avril Lindsay
- Zoe Tokarchuk
- Gwen Topacio
- Mollie Townsend
- Rachel Tsui
- Cassandra Vance
- Alexander Wu
• National, departmental, and external award winners!

**Anthropology Honours**

- Congruí Gu
  Supervisor: Dr. Zhichun Jing
- Meghna Vijai
  Supervisor: Dr. Sara Shneiderman

**Major External Awards (2021-2022)**

- Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral (CGS-D)
  - Lara Sarlak (current student)
- Rose-Ann Bigue (new student)
- Megan Harris (new student)
- Sophia Walters (new student)
- Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master’s (CGS-M)
  - Jan Lim (current student)
- Claire Thorimbert (current student)
- Sydney Dawson (new student)
- Daniela Miranda (new student)
- Aboriginal Graduate Fellowship
  - Cheyanne Connell (current student)
- Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research
  - Caitlyn Yates (current student)

**National Awards**

- CASCA Outstanding Graduating PhD Student
  - Emma Felttes
- CASCA Outstanding Graduating MA Student
  - Basant Ahmed Sayed
- CASCA Outstanding Graduating BA Student
  - Meghna Vijai
Departmental Awards

Cruikshank Graduate and Undergraduate Paper Prizes for student papers submitted for a course

- Cruikshank Graduate Paper Prize Awardee:
  Huabin Zhou

- Cruikshank Undergraduate Prize Awardee:
  Amelia Thomas

Departmental Awards

Emeriti Professors' Graduate Research Awards/Prizes

- Emeriti Professors Graduate Research Award for an MA student:
  Sadie Rittman

- Emeriti Professors Graduate Research Award for a PhD student:
  Lindsey Paskulin

- Borden Fellowship
  Eric Simons

- Sentinel Prize
  Rosalie Gunawan

- Francis Reif Award
  Basant Ahmed Sayed

- Michael Ames Museum Award
  Emily Leischner

- Wilson Duff Memorial Award
  Cheyanne Connell
IN THE NEWS

Kate Kingsbury was interviewed in “La Santa Muerte” (in Spanish) on April 24th, 2022, on Milenio, Mexico's leading, most watched TV News Channel.

ALUMNI DISPATCHES

Daria Boltokova (PhD 2019) has been appointed to a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Anthropology at Memorial University in Newfoundland.

Emma Feltes (PhD 2022) is now doing a post-doctoral fellowship in the Department of Anthropology at Columbia University. Her research examines the impacts of disaster on Ṯs'ilhqot’in First Nation governance. Particularly, she is concerned with how Canadian and Ṯs'ilhqot’in authorities exercise their jurisdiction in response to the wildfires of 2017 and then the COVID 19 pandemic in Ṯs'ilhqot’in territory. Emma received both a SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship and a prestigious Fulbright Scholar Award to support this research.

Evan Koike (PhD 2022) will soon take up a postdoctoral fellowship at the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University. While at Harvard, he will be transforming his dissertation into a book manuscript for publication and will be updating his research with new information about shifting Japanese gender roles and familial relations during the pandemic period.

Farzad Amoozgar-Fassie (MA 2011) recently completed his PhD at UCLA, and this fall he will begin as an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at City University of New York (CUNY).

EVENTS OF NOTE

In early May Millie Creighton and members of her graduate seminar took part in an historic bus tour for the opening of the Japanese Canadian East Lillooet Memorial Garden, an occasion marking the 80th Anniversary of Japanese Canadian and Japanese American Internment. Dr. Creighton’s reflections on this event follow.

The month of May is Asian Heritage month in Canada. The year 2022 is the 80th anniversary of Canada’s uprooting and internment of Japanese Canadians, as well as the anniversary of a parallel process in the United States. For several of us who were involved in the graduate seminar, The Anthropology of Tourism, these two temporal markings came together in a May 7 and 8 bus trip to Lillooet, BC. We took part in the ceremonial opening of the Japanese Canadian East Lillooet Garden to commemorate the internment, and to honour senior members of the Japanese Canadian community who experienced internment in the Lillooet area. Ironically, while the internment areas were harsh for those interned and the camps posed challenges, many camps were also nestled into the intense beauty of British Columbia. The bus for the trip left the Nikkei Centre (Nikkei means people of Japanese descent) in Burnaby, BC early on Saturday, May 7. Those on the bus were mostly Japanese Canadians, including several elderly former internees, and also others interested in the topic and tour. Among those ‘on the bus’ were myself, instructor of the Anthropology of Tourism graduate seminar, and two members of the seminar, MA student Rosalie Gunawan, and MA student Bianca Chui. In the graduate seminar we had covered all sorts of tourism, including literary tourism, music tourism, contents tourism, medical tourism, history tourism, and contemporary forms of tourism addressing past injustices and attempts to rectify these and redefine their meanings in society. The trip was largely organized by Laura Saimoto who operated as MC during the opening (and who has also given a guest lecture to a previous anthropology
class), while her sister Debra Saimoto kept track of all the participants. Their 84-year-old mother, who had been interned at Lillooet was also present. Dr. Aki Horii, now 90 years old, gave a moving history of Japanese Canadian experience, the history of internment and the subsequent redress movement which resulted in the government of Canada, along with that of the United States, acknowledging that the uprooting and internment of those of Japanese descent—the majority of whom in each case were native born Canadian and American citizens—was an injustice perpetuated against a group based on ethnicity. Also present at the garden ceremony was well-known Kaye Kaminishi, who at 100 years old, is the last surviving member of Vancouver’s beloved and iconic Asahi Baseball Team, consisting of Japanese Canadians who won several championships before internment stopped their baseball days as Asahi players. Mr. Kaminishi, who celebrated his 100th birthday in 2022, lives in Lillooet, BC and came to the ceremony in his easily recognizable Asahi baseball cap. On the following day, May 8, some on the trip were able to fit in a Mother’s Day breakfast at a nearby Lillooet café before we headed off for the day. We visited the Miyamoto House, home of Dr. Miyamoto who served as doctor for interned Japanese Canadians, as well as for members of local Native bands from the area, as discussed by Chief Michelle Edwards of the Cayoose Creek Band, who gave the blessing at the garden’s opening ceremony. We also had the chance to visit the Cayoose Creek Band’s community centre. There Chief Michelle Edwards explained the art of the Copper Wall that had just been completed by the band, set in four large panels and displayed within the centre, before finding its next home outdoors. The Copper Wall is comprised of art vignettes showing the history of the band, and includes images of the Japanese Canadian internment residences along with one of Dr. Miyamoto. We were able to get a close view of the images on the panels and their reflections of the past, people, and places in this area. The Cayoose Creek Native Band is currently working with the Japanese Canadian community to mutually reflect on their histories in the area.

The trip to Lillooet happened at a timely juncture in that two weeks later, on May 21, 2022 the BC Provincial Government announced a settlement in the Japanese Canadian quest for Provincial Redress (a separate and more recent struggle than that for national redress) of a $100 million package. Many of the Japanese Canadians participating seemed joyful to be involved in this event that again re-positioned the meanings surrounding the history of Japanese Canadian, and Japanese American, internment. Putting the Provincial Redress announcement and the renewal of the East Lillooet Memorial Garden in combined perspective, Laura Saimoto said of the occasion (in a May 29, 2022 email to event participants) “It was truly a moving and historic day, which will continue to live on in our hearts, and for the general public now that it is [a] major heritage tourist attraction for Lillooet.” Going forward the general public is fortunate to have the chance to visit the garden as part of BC tourism; likewise, for the three of us, the chance to visit the garden on its opening was an ideal culmination to the Anth 540c Anthropology of Tourism graduate seminar.


Gordon-Walker, Caitlin, ed., with Pam Brown, Jisgang Nika Collison, Anthony Alan Shelton, and Jodi Simkin. *Knowledge Within: Treasures of the Northwest Coast*. Vancouver, BC: Figure 1.


Moreiras Reynaga, DK. "A Glimpse into the Past with Dr. Diana Moreiras." Interview with Mexican Consul Berenice Díaz Ceballos in Vancouver, BC. February 15, 2022. [https://fb.watch/dcVRwVctua/](https://fb.watch/dcVRwVctua/)
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