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CALL FOR PAPERS: *Australasian Canadian Studies* literary issue

Dear members,

Welcome to the September edition of the Association for Canadian Studies in Australia and New Zealand (ACSANZ) newsletter, and my first as editor. I joined ACSANZ shortly after beginning my PhD in English at the University of Melbourne in June this year. It was wonderful to attend the recent conference in Armidale and witness the strong academic links between Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

My interest in Canadian studies has been developing ever since I applied for a student exchange as a first year Arts student in 1998. During my year at McGill University I became deeply interested in Canada – its literature, landscape and amazing cultural diversity. I am hoping that through my PhD research, I can satisfy some of the curiosity sparked by that first trip.

I really look forward to working on the newsletter and meeting as many ACSANZ members as possible. I also look forward to receiving your feedback on this newsletter. If you have any comments or contributions to future editions please don't hesitate to contact me: lucieobrien@yahoo.com.

Sincerely

Lucie O'Brien
University of Melbourne

1. President's report

Dear Fellow Canadianists,

I am delighted to be writing to you in the wake of our wonderful **Biennial Conference** recently run by Dr Jim Maher in Armidale, New England (4-7 July). The conference had a small but passionate audience, and I can truly say it was a pleasure to be there. The intimate atmosphere ensured that discussions continued beyond the bounds of the individual sessions, and delegates worked very much in an inter-disciplinary mode. We were also fortunate to have Ilsa Embleton and David Parrish there from the Canadian High Commissions in Canberra and Wellington respectively and both contributed significantly to the intellectual debate. May I use this opportunity to thank Jim and his team for their outstanding work. I should also note that we are now calling for expressions of interest for a host for the next Biennial Conference to be run in 2012.

One of the key messages I delivered in my President's report at the AGM was how indebted we are to the energies of the committed Canadianists who make ACSANZ such a dynamic organization. To this end I began my remarks with a deeply felt vote of thanks to our outgoing (in every sense) former President, Professor Stewart Gill, and to the departing members of the previous Executive. In particular my thanks went out to Dorothy Wood our former Treasurer, and to Sonia Mycak, the previous long-term editor of our flagship journal, *Australasian Canadian Studies*. Most of you should have now received the latest issue, and the first edited by Dr Robyn Morris, based at the University of Wollongong.



ACSANZ President Gerry Turcotte

Stewart's commitment to ACSANZ and his outstanding leadership continue still, both through his prestigious role as Treasurer of the International Council for Canadian Studies, and through his active continuing involvement in the business of ACSANZ, which includes administering our role in PANCS (see Stewart's report elsewhere in this newsletter for details of its most recent conference) and continuation as immediate Past President. Finally, I thank Margaret Stephenson for continuing in the role of Secretary. Margaret brings great experience to the portfolio, which includes a major role in redrafting our association's constitution.

Since I have raised the issue of significant farewells, I should pause here, too, to note our great sadness at losing two tireless supporters of Canadian studies: Prue Torrance and Tony McKittrick, both from the Canadian High Commission in Canberra. Their departure to pursue new careers has had a significant impact on the corporate memory that has always supported and at times

even engineered the Association's success in Australia. We thank both Prue and Tony for their commitment to ACSANZ above and beyond what was formally required through their roles at the High Commission. We also bid farewell to the Canadian High Commissioner Michel Leir, and the Deputy High Commissioner, Rene Cremazie. With departures, though, we also have arrivals, and we welcome Ilsa Embleton, who has taken over from Prue. We are delighted to have her knowledge and expertise underpinning the Association's continuing initiatives. We also extend our welcome to the new Canadian Deputy High Commissioner to Australia, Mr David McKinnon.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Vice President, Dr Debra Dudek, for covering for me at this year's ICCS General Meeting in Montreal. The ICCS is the peak academic body representing over 30 Canadian studies associations worldwide and it was an important opportunity for ACSANZ to be represented. I am assured by many who were there that we were represented with style and aplomb by Debra.

My role as President has coincided with a number of major duties and challenges. Some of these are connected to my 'day' job as Executive Dean at the University of Notre Dame Australia, and this role alone has made it a challenge for me to be as proactive as I might sometimes want to be in this position. Another major change, however, was that as well as having a new Executive taking over the reins, losing Prue also meant that we needed to restructure a number of key roles that she had taken on in a volunteer capacity. This included moderating the ACSANZ email list, liaising with

members, updating websites, subscriptions and so forth. As you'll appreciate it was a challenge for me to take on these duties, however imperfectly, and I'm relieved to say that we have now redistributed most of these roles so that information flow to members should now return to normal. This will include having a dedicated Web Manager (thank you Dawn Dudek), a new newsletter editor (thank you Lucie), and new coordinators for membership queries and ACSANZ info (thank you Debra Dudek and Robyn Morris).

Professor John Gray has also joined us as our new Treasurer, and one of the first things John undertook was to have our books re-audited, and to handle the complex transfer of ACSANZ business and banking from one city and person to another. Again, I'm delighted to say that John has been outstanding in this role and the Association is now in a very strong position.

One of my other key duties soon after assuming the Presidency at the start of the year was to formalise and finalise the numerous grants that are the lifeblood of the Association. I'm delighted to report that we were successful in bidding for a Student Mobility Grant to support 3 postgraduate students to do study in Canada, a major Assistance to Associations Grant for the day-to-day running of the association, a major Conference Grant to support the Biennial Conference, and a Program Development Grant that will allow us once again to offer an Undergraduate Essay Prize, to host an Asia-Pacific Seminar/Graduate Seminar, to support activities at the Sydney and Brisbane Writers Festivals, a Writing Workshop in Canadian Studies: Graduate Seminar, a speaker at the Australian Children's Conference recently hosted

in Wollongong, and a highly successful involvement in a New Zealand Conference in Wellington.

The latter conference was an ideal opportunity for us to renew our commitment to developing ever stronger New Zealand representation, and we are amazingly well supported in this initiative by having two key New Zealand members as part of our Executive team: Professor Brad Morse and Dr Robert Joseph. Together Brad and Joseph bring enormous scholarly clout to the association, but also a strong and passionate engagement with both Canadian and New Zealand studies. We are keen to tap into this expertise, and Robert Joseph's New Zealand Report (published elsewhere in this newsletter) already demonstrates the significant efforts that have been made in this endeavour.

We were also successful in obtaining both a Canadian Leadership Program Grant and a grant in support of our Federation Dialogue series, and these went towards the support of our most recent Federation Dialogue, which coincided with the ACSANZ Conference in Armidale. The two prestigious speakers in this forum were Professors Clive Hamilton and Thomas Courchene. This, together with an earlier ACSANZ-sponsored visit of Nobel Prize winning environmentalist Professor Barry Smit, ensured that the focus on climate change and its impact on everything from daily living standards to wider global economic principles was resoundingly addressed by the Association, including the role that Canada must play in addressing this significant moral challenge.

I mentioned earlier the pivotal role that the High Commission in Canberra and New Zealand have played in

ACSANZ's effective delivery of programs that contribute to an understanding of Canada. This amazing support should also be understood in the context of an equally dynamic scholarly network of researchers and teachers that have made ACSANZ one of the most successful organisations within the International Council for Canadian Studies. This success can be measured in many ways, but one key indicator is the sheer number of successful awards we receive in competitive funding rounds. 2010 was no different, and I would like to congratulate the many scholars who were successfully awarded grants in 2010 in the Faculty Research, Faculty Enrichment, Postgraduate Thesis and other grant categories. Our success in these largely international competitions is always disproportionate to our size, and it is a testament to our scholarly commitment to Canadian and comparative Canadian, Australian and New Zealand studies.

All of the new award applications for next year's round have recently been posted on the ACSANZ website and I would ask that you publicise these as widely as possible.

There is much more that I could add here. For the moment though, it is probably enough to thank everyone, once again, for their commitment to ACSANZ and to Canadian Studies. I very much look forward to working with many of you in the months and years to come.

Sincerely,

*Professor Gerry Turcotte, President
Associate Provost & Executive Dean,
College of Arts & Sciences
University of Notre Dame*

2. Canadian Studies Undergraduate Essay Competition: congratulations to 2009 winner Edward Cavanagh

The Association for Canadian Studies in Australia and New Zealand has established the Canadian Studies Undergraduate Essay Competition. The competition aims to recognise and encourage scholarship in Canadian studies by undergraduate students studying in any faculty at universities in Australia and New Zealand. The competition has a cash prize of AUD \$1,200.

The essay must be on Canada or have a substantial Canadian component (e.g. a comparative study between Canada and another country/region) and must demonstrate an understanding of Canada. The competition is administered by the Canadian High Commission in Canberra, on behalf of ACSANZ and was judged by a panel of distinguished academics in Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

The 2009 Essay Competition winner was Edward Cavanagh of Swinburne University, Melbourne. Edward's essay, entitled: 'Fur Trade Colonialism: Traders and Cree at Hudson Bay, 1713-67,' considered why the Hudson's Bay Company (HBC) has been regarded as 'a non-colonial company' by Canadian historians. The paper introduced the concept of *fur trade colonialism* as something distinct from *settler colonialism*. As is well known in the Canadian historiographical canon,

guns, germs and geopolitical upheavals characterised the Indian interior in this early period (1713-1763); but Edward's essay examined the 'settlements' that hugged the Bay itself. These 'settlements', he argued, were not only the sites of contact, but the sites of a perpetual colonial encounter – a shared space, in which natives and sojourning HBC men came to live under the slight rule of Bayside governors, who tempered their own moral judgement with the policies laid out by the Company's London Committee. Edward's paper brought these settlements under the microscope to analyse the means by which – if at all – the 'home guard' natives (mostly Cree Nation) of the settlements were colonised by the Hudson's Bay Company. This paper appeared in the most recent edition of *Australasian Canadian Studies*, a special issue with the theme, 'Globalising Indigeneity: New Research Directions.'

Details of the 2010 competition are available at

<http://www.acsanz.org.au/funding.html#essayprize>.

Entries close on 29 October 2010.

Dr Robyn Morris
University of Wollongong

3. 2010 Centre for Canadian-Australian Studies Lecture delivered by Professor Barry Smit: 'Fact and Fantasy in the Fractured Science and Politics of Climate Change.'

On 9 April 2010, ACSANZ and the Government of Canada co-sponsored the Centre for Canadian-Australian Studies (CCAS) at the University of Wollongong Lecture. The lecture was presented by Professor Barry Smit, Canada Research Chair in Global Environmental Change, University of Guelph, Canada, and examined the 'fact and fantasy in the fractured science and politics of climate change'. Professor Smit has advised governments and organisations across Canada and internationally. He has served on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and is a co-recipient of the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize. An introduction to the lecture was given by His Excellency, Mr Michael Leir, High Commissioner of Canada to Australia.

Professor Smit considered the physical and human forces underlying climate

change and its implications for the environment and development. He reviewed the roles of science and politics in national and international policy responses, including mitigation and adaptation, with comparisons of Canada and Australia. In his address, he outlined adaptation initiatives in the Arctic, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Chile and Pacific islands and demonstrated the needs and opportunities for truly interdisciplinary science and practice.

Professor Smit's lecture was followed by a question and answer session chaired by Australian Research Council Laureate Fellow and Director of the Australian Centre for Cultural Environmental Research, Professor Lesley Head.

*Dr Robyn Morris
University of Wollongong*

4. All Canada Day at the University of Wollongong

Another successful All Canada Day was held on 19 May 2010 at the University of Wollongong. Many students attended the information booth which was set up with representatives from Study Abroad and STA Travel. UoW was pleased to welcome representatives from the Canadian High Commission, Tony McKittrick and Marilyn Woodward, who held an Exchange Seminar for students interested in studying in Canada, which included information on UoW's Canadian exchange partners. Mr McKittrick also held a Canadian

Research Funding Seminar, explaining the Government of Canada's Understanding Canada Program, which is administered by the Canadian High Commission. Following this, CCAS members and other attendees met for Afternoon Tea.

A highlight of the day was the 'Meet the Author' session featuring Canadian author, Richard Van Camp, in conversation with Associate Professor Wilma Vialle and Dr Debra Dudek of UoW. Richard is a member of the Dogrib (Tlicho) Nation from Fort Smith,

NWT, and currently teaches Creative Writing for Aboriginal Students at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC. He is also CBC Radio's Writer in Residence for their North by Northwest Program. Richard's

visit was sponsored by the Centre for Canadian Australian Studies (CCAS) and ACSANZ.

Dr Robyn Morris
University of Wollongong

5. ACSANZ 15th Biennial Conference and Federation Dialogue

The 15th Biennial Conference of ACSANZ, *Connecting Communities: Canada, Australia and New Zealand*, took place at the beautiful University of New England at Armidale NSW from 4 to 7 July, 2010.

Participants came from across Australia, Canada and New Zealand and many excellent papers were presented. The opening was performed by Ms Ilsa Embleton (representing the Canadian High Commissioner, Canberra) and attended by Mr. Tony Windsor, Member for New England and Mr. Chris Patton, Chief Development Officer, UNE, who welcomed participants to the university.

The keynote address entitled: *Australia, Canada and New Zealand: Political Heritage Trumps Policy Heterogeneity* was given by Professor Thomas Courchene, Jarislowsky-Deutsch Professor of Economics and Financial Policy and Director of the Institute of Intergovernmental Relations at Queen's University, Ontario, Canada. Professor Courchene and Professor Clive Hamilton, Professor of Public Ethics at the Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics, a joint Centre of the ANU, Charles Sturt University and the University of Melbourne, participated in the Federation Dialogue on *Climate Change and Federalism: Canada and Australia*. Held at the Armidale Town Hall, the Dialogue attracted an

enthusiastic audience including civic leaders and around one hundred members of the wider Armidale community.

The environmental debate continued at the conference with Dr Doreen Barrie (Calgary) giving an excellent paper on the Alberta Tar Sands and Water Issues, Professor Carla Lipsig-Mummé (York University) covering responses to Climate Change in Canada and Briony Lalor (McGill) examining institutional obstacles in setting environmental policy in Canada and Australia. UNE's Professor Paul Martin discussed legal approaches to the implementation of legal innovations management of bio-fuels energy weed risk.

Two separate sessions were devoted to Indigenous issues with some excellent papers presented by Dr Margaret Stephenson (Queensland), Edward Cavanagh (Swinburne), Professor Helen Ware (UNE), Professor David McDonald (Guelph), Tiani Hetherington (Newcastle) and Professor John Reid (St. Mary's).

A session on Literature and Film comprised Dr Debra Dudek's (Wollongong) paper on Street Kids and Asylum Seekers, and Lucinda O'Brien (Melbourne) on Feminist Fiction and the Myth of the Frontier with specific reference to Joan London and Margaret Atwood, while UNE's Professor John Ryan looked at the

Scholarship of Folklore. Andrea Mackinlay (Notre Dame) gave an interesting paper on Indigenous Film.

One of the highlights of the conference was an excellent panel session on Local Government by UNE's Centre for Local Government – Ian Tiley on Structural Change in Australian Local Government, Bligh Grant on the Good Councilor and leadership in Australian Local Government and Professor Brian Dollery, the Director of the Centre, on Shared Services in Local Government. The session was ably chaired by Armidale Dumaresq Council's General Manager, Mr. Shane Burns.

The legal session saw excellent papers from Professor Eilis Magner (UNE) on Self-Government and John Snow (Calgary) on Bills of Rights while in the health session, Dr. Jim Maher (UNE) gave a paper on Regional Health Governance, Kylie Tao Nguyen (UNE) discussed patterns of psychological distress among Vietnamese refugees, and Daphne McCurdy (UNE) provided a lively session on Health and Welfare.

Sue Tappenden (Waikato) spoke on communitarian approaches to rights, Peter O'Donohue (UNE) on Chinese Miners and Archaeology and Professor Linda Turner (UNE) on respect across linguistic divides. Education was covered by Professor Belinda Tynan (UNE) and Richard Lachman (by Skype from Ryerson University). Professor Jim Jose (Newcastle), Professor Kim Nossal (Queens) and Jennifer Menzies (Griffith) presented three stimulating papers in the Politics session, the first on Governance States and National Political Identity, the second on Justifying International Stabilization Missions and the third on Policy Learning in Federalism: Australian Premiers Learn from their Canadian Counterparts.

National and local media covered the conference and particular attention was paid to papers presented by Professor Kim Nossal and Professor David McDonald, with follow-up attention expected to be paid to the presentation by Professor Helen Ware.



Delegates and guests at the ACSANZ conference

The Welcome Reception on Sunday was held in the historic Booloomimba, the original homestead donated as the first UNE building, while the Conference Dinner was held at Echidna Gully, a shearing shed and purpose-built function centre, some 26 kilometres east of Armidale in gorge country. Australia's legendary singer songwriter Pat Drummond entertained the audience with his ballads and guitar work while a local grazier and bush poet, Gordon Edmonds, provided some humorous renditions of bush poetry. Pat also performed a Canadian song for our appreciative visitors.

Other highlights included the Presidential Address, a session on the journal by editor, Robyn Morris (Wollongong), an excellent presentation on funding available from the Canadian government by Ilsa Embleton (High Commission,

Canberra) and a report by David Parrish (High Commission, Wellington, NZ) on Canadian Studies in that country.

The Conference and Federation Dialogue were great success stories and definitely achieved the Conference theme of Connecting Communities.

Thanks go to all participants including paper-givers, panel chairs, the UNE Conference Company (Sharon Gallen and Kath Jacques), the ACSANZ Executive led by Professor Gerry Turcotte, the Armidale Dumaresq Council, UNE, local and national media and our major sponsor, the Canadian Government.

*Dr Jim Maher, Convenor
University of New England*

6. Pacific Asia Network of Canadian Studies: Jerusalem meeting

The Pacific Asia Network of Canadian Studies (PANCS) held its annual meeting and student seminar on the Mount Scopus Campus of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem from 25 to 28 June 2010. Representing ACSANZ was the former President of ACSANZ and treasurer of the International Council for Canadian Studies (ICCS), Stewart Gill, the editor of our journal, Robyn Morris, and Cathy Moloney as our postgraduate student. An opening dinner on 25 June was hosted by the President of the Israel Association for Canadian Studies, Mr Danny Ben-Natan with the Canadian Ambassador, Jon Allen, as a guest. We gathered at the Hebrew University on 26 June for our annual graduate seminar. Also attending was Chris Greenshields representing the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International

Trade (DFAIT) and Dr Cornelius Remie, the Past President of ICCS. The theme for the day was the environment. Some of the student speakers were a good example of the diversity which exists within PANCS. Sabine Huynh represented Israel but is of Vietnamese background and has studied in France, while Miriam Lopez Fernandez represented South Korea but is Spanish with a degree from the Netherlands.

The following papers were presented:

- Cathy Moloney (Australia): How did India's 1974 'Peaceful' Nuclear Explosion alter Canada's Nuclear Environment?
- Xu Ting (China): The Climate change and Policy of Canadian Governments

- Sabine Huynh (Israel): English-French Bilingualism as an Environmental Challenge in Canada: Insights from a Case Study of the Vietnamese Community of Ottawa
- Sharon Chen (Taiwan): Women and Nature in Margaret Atwood's 'Oryx and Crake'
- Miriam Lopez Fernandez (Korea): Athabasca River and Oil Production
- Manpreet Kang (India): The Endangered Kingdom – Animal Stories, Children and Ecopedagogy: Canada, Israel, and India.

The Seminar was followed by the meeting of PANCS, at which Dr R. K. Dhawan (India) stepped down as

chairman and was replaced by Professor Jianwen Feng of the Chinese Association. It was also decided that the next meeting would take place in Seoul, South Korea in October 2011. *Recent Trends in Canadian Studies*, the volume of the papers for 2009, was also launched at the PANCS meeting.

Some of us remained for the Israel Association for Canadian Studies Conference, which was entitled, 'Environmental Challenges in Canada, Israel and Beyond'. Stewart Gill gave a paper, 'Part of or Masters of Nature?: Indigenous Issues and Environmental Challenges in Canada and Australia.'

Professor Stewart Gill
University of Queensland

7. Report from New Zealand

International Conference – 'Canada and New Zealand: Connections, Comparisons and Challenges: An International Conference celebrating 70 years of diplomatic relations between Canada and New Zealand'

This conference took place on 9 and 10 February 2010 at Victoria University of Wellington and was a great success in terms of generating interest on Canadian studies, networking and sharing expertise on the conference themes. There was amazing support from local academics, practitioners and policy makers from New Zealand and also from Canadians (the summer weather being a key attraction). There was also a good turn out from a number of colleagues from Australia. The ACSANZ executive was well represented at the conference in a number of presentations and panels by Professor Brad Morse, Dr Robert Joseph, Dr John Gray and Professor

Gerry Turcotte. Gerry gave a brief but stimulating lunchtime presentation on ACSANZ, ACSANZ pamphlets were available, and our ACSANZ banner hung in the main eating area during the conference.

Visiting Canadian Scholars

We have had a number of visiting Canadian scholars present at the Te Piringa Faculty of Law, at the University of Waikato in Hamilton, New Zealand:

Mike De Gagné – Executive Director of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation, Ottawa - November 2010

Mike presented on the role of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation in addressing and appropriately redressing the legacy of Indian Residential Schools in Canada. Canadians have had to come terms

with the terrible legacy of injustices that occurred in Indian Residential Schools and the ongoing negative social effects on Aboriginal Peoples. Mike presented an update on how the Truth and Reconciliation Commission is progressing as well as the numerous claims for compensation and reconciliation.

Professor Barry Smit – University of Guelph, Ontario – ‘Fact and Fantasy in the Science and Politics of Climate Change’ – 23 March 2010

Professor Smit’s presentation addressed the physical and human forces underlying climate change and its implications for the environment and development. The roles of science and politics in national and international policy responses were outlined – mitigation and adaptation. Examples were given of adaptation initiatives in regions ranging from the Arctic to Bangladesh and Nigeria to Chile. The needs and opportunities for truly interdisciplinary science and practice were presented.

Professor Ruth Thompson – University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon – 16 April 2010

Professor Thompson gave a brief presentation on her work at the Faculty of Law, University of Saskatchewan, on the Native Law Program (NLP) to improve access to a legal education for Canada’s Aboriginal Peoples. Over the years, the NLP has tinkered with the course content in an attempt to find a way to increase the chances of success for its students and has been very successful.

Research Haerenga (Trip) to Canada

The Te Piringa School of Law and the School of Management, University of Waikato, sponsored a student exchange to Canada from 28 June to 7

July 2010. Twelve Māori students travelled to Vancouver and Ottawa during this time with some presenting research at the Global Ecological Integrity Conference at the University of British Columbia and meeting with Joanna Archibald at the First Nations Longhouse, UBC. With an extremely busy itinerary, students were exhausted after visiting with local Indigenous groups such as the Squamish, Chanook and Musqueam (including a West Coast Pow Wow), and with institutions such as the Aboriginal Native Youth Association, an Aboriginal Native Court, the Assembly of First Nations, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), the Aboriginal Healing Foundation, the New Zealand Deputy High Commissioner, and the University of Ottawa. Overall, although exhausted, students found the haerenga to be an academically stimulating and encouraging experience which they hope to reciprocate and replicate in future years. All of the students are pursuing research projects comparing New Zealand and Canadian experiences on specific law and business topics.

Other news

The University of Waikato Library now subscribes to the multi-disciplinary ACSANZ Journal - *Australasian Canadian Studies*.

Unfortunately neither I nor Professor Brad Morse (as ACSANZ executive representatives) could attend the 15th Biennial ACSANZ Conference due to the timing conflicting with the Australian Law Teachers Conference, and our sincere apologies were given ahead of time. However, David Parish from the High Commission of Canada in Wellington and one of our Te Piringa Faculty of Law colleagues, Sue Tappenden, attended on our behalf.

The Te Piringa Faculty of Law, University of Waikato, has been successful in its application for an International Council for Canadian Studies (ICCS) 'University Library Support Programme Matching Canadian Book Grant.' Through this grant, the University of Waikato library has purchased approximately 90 multi-disciplinary books about Canada that were published in Canada.

With the Canadian Book Grant above, the Te Piringa Faculty of Law, in collaboration with the High Commission of Canada, the local Māori tribe – Waikato-Tainui – and other civic leaders, will be holding a special evening to launch the Canadian Book Collection at the University of Waikato.

It is anticipated that the special event will be held in October 2010 and will involve, circumstances willing, Canadian High Commissioner Madame Chrétien.

With the Canadian Book Grant event above, it is also anticipated that the evening will be utilised as a spring board for mobilising general support for a Centre for Canadian Studies in New Zealand at the University of Waikato. Moves are already underway to process approval of the Centre through the University of Waikato system. We have also been liaising with David Parrish at the High Commission of Canada on this initiative.

Dr Robert Joseph
University of Waikato

8. Recent prize winners and grant recipients

Congratulations to the following recent winners of Canadian Studies prizes and grants:

The 2010 ACSANZ Post Graduate Travel Awards were awarded to Robin Freeman (Deakin), Katrina Zaat (Sydney) and Sarah John (Flinders). Canada-Asia-Pacific Awards went to Thomas Wilkins and Joel Negin (both Sydney). Jennifer Wellington and Juan Tauri (Auckland University of Technology) both received Doctoral Student Research Awards.

Angeline O'Neill (Notre Dame) and Elizabeth Rankin (U Auckland) received grants under the Faculty Enrichment Programme. Claudia Bell (U Auckland), Amanda Nettlebeck (Adelaide), Antonio Buti (Western Australia), Karina Smith (Victoria University) and Rod Giblett (Edith

Cowan) were successful in their applications to the Faculty Research Programme.

Robin Kearns (U Auckland), Rod Keenan (Melbourne), Jo Lampert (Queensland University of Technology), Avril Bell (Massey), Siobhan Austen (Curtin University of Technology), Maggie Walter (Tasmania) and Natalie Ban (James Cook) were awarded International Research Linkages grants.

Special congratulations to Melissa Hopwood (Victoria University), who won the International Council for Canadian Studies (ICCS) award for Best Thesis.

For more information about prizes and grants please visit <http://www.acsanz.org.au/funding.html>.

**Call for Submissions for *Australasian Canadian Studies*
on Canadian, New Zealand and Australian Literature**

Australasian Canadian Studies is a multidisciplinary journal. It is the official journal of the Association for Canadian Studies in Australia and New Zealand (ACSANZ) and is published twice a year. ACS is a double blind refereed journal for the humanities and social sciences that welcomes Canadian and comparative Australian–New Zealand–Canadian analysis.

Articles for a 'literary' themed edition of ACS, including an abstract, keywords and brief biographical details, should be sent to the Journal Editor by 15th November, 2010.

Australasian Canadian Studies publishes articles (5,000–8,000 words), essays and discussion papers (1,000–4,000 words), and book reviews (1,000–2,000 words). Manuscripts should conform to the Chicago Manual of Style, 15th edition. The manuscript title and author's name and address should appear on a separate cover sheet. To preserve anonymity during the refereeing process, the author's identity should not be exposed in the text or notes.

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