

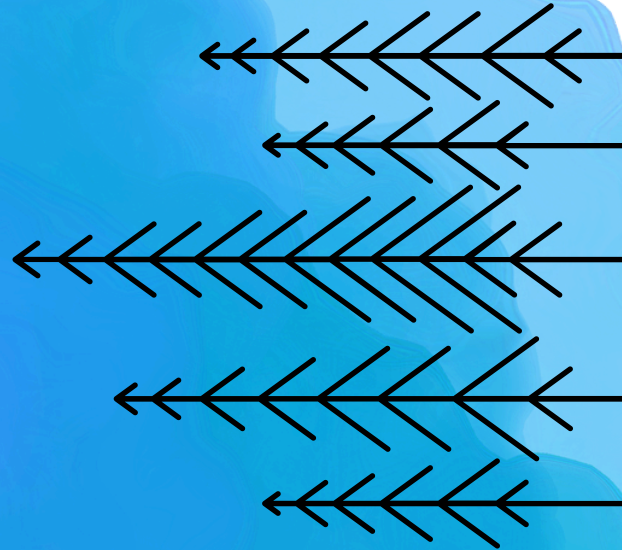


HAIKU CANADA  
CONFERENCE 2026

MAY  
15-17  
MAI  
2026



(im)migration



program  
programme

Queen's University  
Kingston, Ontario  
Mackintosh-Corry Hall  
Room B201



Thursday, May 14  
Jeudi 14 mai

5-7 pm **Pre-Conference Welcome and Tea**

### Information for the weekend



#### **For the Silent Auction / Encan silencieux: Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room D201**

- Bring small items for the Silent Auction.
- Starting 9 am Friday, ending Saturday 9 pm.
- Apportez votre matériel (petite taille).
- Débute le vendredi à 9h et se termine le samedi à 21h.



#### **For the bilingual Ginko walk on Friday May 15: Murney Tower**

Murney Tower, part of the Kingston Fortifications, is a designated National Historic Site of Canada and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Murney Tower is recognized as having played an important role in the defense of British North America, thus enabling Canada to develop its own political and cultural identity.

#### **Special Collaboration Haiku Canada-Murney Tower**

Murney Tower Museum and Haiku Canada have agreed to partner to showcase haiku written during our ginko walk on Friday, May 15. Haiku written by conference attendees will be mounted and displayed as a Special Exhibition at the Tower for the entire 2026 operating season (May - Sep. 2026). One haiku from each conference attendee will be chosen by our Selection Committee for inclusion in the exhibition.

**Please submit your haiku inspired by Murney Tower before May 24:**

Hans C. Dringenberg  
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- 9h **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
*Hans Dringenberg*
- 9h15 **Members' Reading of the HC Anthology 2026**  
*Pamela Cooper & Mike Montreuil*
- 9h45 **The Sarashina Diary and You: A Journey of a Thousand Years**  
Claudia Coutu Radmore
- 10h45 break / pause
- 11h **Sitting cross-legged: A Haiku Writing Workshop**  
*Susan Plumridge*
- 12h lunch / diner (on your own)
- 13h30 **Immigrant Experiences Through Haiku & Tanka**  
*Elena Calvo, Luminita Suse & Hans Dringenberg*
- 14h30 **Migration. A reflection on how we humans might feel if/when we leave Earth and settle on another planet**  
*Ruth Mittelholtz*
- 15h **An Update on the Haiku Canada Archives**  
*Vicki McCullough*
- 15h30 **Ginko Walk #1: Murney Tower Museum**  
*Hans Dringenberg (English) and Claude Rodrigue (French)*
- 17h30 supper / souper (on your own)
- 19h **Book Launch Reading**  
*Vicki McCullough, kjmunro, Angela Leuck, and various authors*
- 21h **Late Night Renku**  
*Marshall Hryciuk and Karen Sohne*



Saturday, May 16  
Samedi 16 mai

- 9h **The Contribution of Japanese-Canadian Haiku and Tanka Poets**  
*Angela Leuck*
- 10h **When Occident meets Orient —  
Fusion of Western and Eastern Poetry: the Rengoum**  
*Luce Pelletier & Mike Montreuil*
- 11h break / pause
- 11h15 **Village Flooded with Children: A Celebration of Metaphors in Haiku**  
*Brian Bartlett*
- 12h15 lunch / diner (on your own)
- 13h45 **Short & Sweet: Using Haiku “Telegrams” to Revisit Family History**  
*Jessica Allyson*
- 14h30 **An Update on the Inaugural Maritime Haiku Getaway  
in St. Sephen, NB**  
*Carole Martignacco & Angela Leuck*
- 14h45 break / pause
- 15h **A Look at (Im)migration in Haiku**  
*LeRoy Gorman*
- 16h **Ginko Walk #2: Lake Ontario Waterfront**  
*Hans Dringenberg and kjmunro*
- 18h **Banquet** in the Grant Hall Auditorium
- 19h **Announcement of Bluger Award Winners**  
*Angela Leuck*
- 19h30 **Open-mike Reading / lecture ouverte**
- 21h **Late night Renku**  
*Marshall Hryciuk & Karen Sohne*



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Sunday, May 17  
Dimanche 17 mai

9h30 **What Can Issa Teach Us About Immigration?**

*Korie Beth Brown*

10h30 break / pause

claim your silent auction items!

10h45 **Northern Passage: Haiku from Northern Canada  
and Greenland as an Act of Resilience**

*Sandra St-Laurent*

11h30 **Announcement of Winners**

*Betty Drevniok Award*

*Prix Jocelyne-Villeneuve*

**Reading of Renku**

*Marshall Hryciuk & Karen Sohne*

**Closing Words: An Invitation to the Celebration of the 50th  
Anniversary Celebration of Haiku Canada in 2027**

*Angela Leuck*

# Additional information renseignements supplémentaires



All main activities will be in  
Toutes les activités principales se tiendront à:  
**Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room B201**



Silent auction, book sales, and gathering space will be in :  
l'encan silencieux, vente de livres et rencontres parallèles se tiendront:  
**Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room D201**



To learn more about the area  
(bilingual websites below)

Pour en apprendre plus sur la région  
Office de tourisme de Kingston

[Visit Kingston.ca](http://VisitKingston.ca)



To learn more about Queen's University

Pour en apprendre plus sur l'Université  
Queens

[queensu.ca](http://queensu.ca)

Interactive map of [Queen's University](http://Queen's University)  
carte interactive de [l'Université Queen's](http://l'Université Queen's)



To learn more about the Murney Tower  
Museum:

Pour en apprendre plus sur le musée de la  
tour Murney

[Murneytower.com](http://Murneytower.com)

