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## EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Law and Society	University of Victoria	In Progress
Bachelor of Laws	University of London	2010
Doctor of Philosophy in History	University of New Brunswick	2008
Master of Arts in History	University of Victoria	2003
Bachelor of Arts (Honours History)	University of Victoria	2001

## MAJOR FIELDS OF SCHOLARLY INTEREST

- Legal History of British Columbia and Canada in Global Context
- Law of Employment, Property, and Labour Relations
- Social Relations of the Law and the Judiciary
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Social Movements and the State
- Migration, War, and Empire
- Digital Scholarship

## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOKS

- Isitt, Benjamin, co-authored with Ravi Malhotra. *Able to Lead: The Legal Politics of Disablement and the Political Life of E.T. Kingsley*. Under contract with UBC Press.
- Isitt, Benjamin. *Militant Minority: British Columbia Workers and the Rise of a New Left, 1948-1972*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, May 2011.
- Isitt, Benjamin. *From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition, 1917-19*. Vancouver: UBC Press, 2010. Translations forthcoming from Les Presses de l'Université Laval (French) and Korpus Publishing Company (Russian).

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Isitt, Benjamin. "Confronting the Cold War: The 1950 Vancouver Convention of the CCF." *Canadian Historical Review* 91, no. 3 (September 2010): 465-501.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Elusive Unity: The Canadian Labor Party in British Columbia, 1924-1928." *BC Studies* 163 (Fall 2009): 33-64.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Social Democracy in Twentieth Century Canada: An Interpretive Framework." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 40, no. 3 (September 2007): 567-589. With Nelson Wiseman.

- Isitt, Benjamin. "Searching for Workers' Solidarity: One Big Unionism and the Victoria General Strike of 1919." *Labour/Le Travail* 60 (Fall 2007): 11-44.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "The Hospital Employees Union Strike and the Privatization of Medicare in British Columbia, Canada." *International Labor and Working-Class History* 71 (Spring 2007): 91-111. With Melissa Moroz.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Mutiny from Victoria to Vladivostok, December 1918." *Canadian Historical Review* 87, no. 2 (June 2006): 223-264.

## RESEARCH NOTES

- Isitt, Benjamin. "Fellow Traveller: A British Columbia Fisherman Writes Home from the Eastern Bloc, 1952." *Labour/Le Travail* 63 (Spring 2009): 105-130.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

- Isitt, Benjamin. "The Siberian Intervention." *The Encyclopedia of War*, edited by Gordon Martel. London: Wylie, 2011.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition, 1917-1919." In Sergei P. Zviagin, ed. *Sibir' v pyeriod grazhdanskoj voyni*. Kemerovo: Kemerovo State University, 2010.

## THESES AND DISSERTATIONS

- Isitt, Benjamin. "Crises of Legitimacy: Judging Social Movements in British Columbia." Ph.D. Dissertation in Law and Society, University of Victoria. Supervisor: Judy Fudge. In Progress.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Tug-of-War: The Working Class and Political Change in British Columbia, 1948-1972." Ph.D. Dissertation in History, University of New Brunswick, 2008. Supervisor: Gregory S. Kealey.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "The Search for Solidarity: The Industrial and Political Roots of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation in British Columbia, 1913-1928." M.A. Thesis, University of Victoria, 2003. Supervisor: Eric W. Sager.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Battling Bolshevism from Victoria to Vladivostok: The Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force and Class Warfare in Canada, 1918-1919." B.A. Honours Thesis, University of Victoria, 2001. Supervisor: Eric W. Sager.

## MAGAZINE AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

- Isitt, Benjamin. "Unlearned Lessons of the First World War." *Times Colonist*. 1 May 2010.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Ghosts of elections past still haunt BC." *Times Colonist*. 5 April 2009. Reprinted in *BC Commentary* 12, no. 2 (Spring 2009): 11-12.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "Make housing the priority for federal 'shovel-ready' dollars." *Vancouver Sun*. 3 February 2009. Reprinted in *Island Tides*, 12 February 2009 and *Columbia Journal* 14, no. 1 (May 2009): 8.
- Isitt, Benjamin. "The Siberian Expedition." *Legion Magazine* 83, no. 6 (November/ December 2008): 60-63.

## REPORTS

- Isitt, Benjamin. *Housing for All: The Social Economy and Homelessness in British Columbia's Capital Region*. Victoria: Canadian Social Economy Research Partnerships, 2008. 60 pp.
- Isitt, Benjamin. *Higher Learning in a Changing World: Environmental Scan for British Columbia*. Victoria: BC Ministry of Advanced Education, 2008. 246 pp.
- Isitt, Benjamin. *Urbanization on the Western Frontier: Langford's Bear Mountain and the Blurring of Public and Private Interests*. Victoria: West Coast Environmental Law, 2007. 30 pp.

## BOOK REVIEWS

- Isitt, Benjamin. Review of Andrew Parnaby. *Citizen Docker: Making a New Deal on the Vancouver Waterfront, 1919-1939* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2008), in *British Columbia History* 42:1 (Spring 2009): 21-22.
- Isitt, Benjamin. Review of Gordon Hak. *Capital and Labour in the British Columbia Forest Industry, 1934-74* (Vancouver: UBC Press, 2007). H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences. (October 2008).
- Isitt, Benjamin. Review of Roger Stonebanks. *Fighting for Dignity: The Ginger Goodwin Story* (St. John's: Canadian Committee on Labour History, 2004), in *Labour/Le Travail* 55 (Spring 2005): 249-251.

## ONLINE/WEB PROJECTS

*Canada's Siberian Expedition* < [www.siberianexpedition.ca](http://www.siberianexpedition.ca) > 2010.

This Virtual Exhibition and teaching tool offers a rare glimpse into a forgotten moment in Canadian, Russian, and World History, combining engaging interpretive narratives in the English, French and Russian languages with a Digital Archive that preserves 2,200 previously unpublished archival photographs and documents. *Project Partners:* University of Victoria Humanities Computing & Media Centre, University of Victoria Dean of Humanities, University of Victoria Special Collections, Centre for Research on Canadian-Russian Relations, Arseniev State Museum of Primorsky Region, Far Eastern Federal University Centre for Canadian-Americans Studies (Vladivostok).

*Canadian Social History Archive* < [www.socialhistory.ca](http://www.socialhistory.ca) > 2010-2012. *In Progress*.

This Digital Archive provides public access to rare archival documents from private family collections and also preserves – and provides access to – digital copies of oral history interviews relating to the social history of Canada. Teaching modules are being developed for middle school, secondary school, and university/college educators and students. *Project Partners:* University of British Columbia Department of History, University of Victoria Institute for Coastal and Oceans Research.

*Canada's Geographic Heritage* < [www.GeoHeritage.ca](http://www.GeoHeritage.ca) > 2010-2012. *In Progress*.

An interactive tool that engages Historical GIS, linking a comprehensive database based on Historical Sites and Monuments Board of Canada locations with multimedia on Canada's natural and human heritage.

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

### ***Monographs***

Isitt, Benjamin. *Crises of Legitimacy: Judging Social Movements in British Columbia*. In Progress.

Isitt, Benjamin. *Social Relations of War: Canada's Soldiers in Asia*. In Progress.

Isitt, Benjamin. *Globalization on the Resource Frontier: Workers, Environmentalists and Political Change in British Columbia*. In Progress.

### ***Edited Collections***

Isitt, Benjamin, ed. *Alternatives for the Coastal Economy*. In Progress.

Isitt, Benjamin, ed. *Hands Across the Pole: Canada and Russia in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. In Progress.

Ross Johnson, with Benjamin Isitt. *No Compromise: The Marxian Socialist Tradition in British Columbia*. In Progress.

### ***Future Projects***

Isitt, Benjamin. *Geographic Enigmas: Enclaves, Exclaves and the Contested Shaping of the Modern World*.

Isitt, Benjamin. *The Geography of Social Democracy in Canada*.

Isitt, Benjamin. *Socialists at the Gates: Canada's New Democratic Party*.

Isitt, Benjamin. *Out of the Kitchen, Into the Fight!: The Women's Auxiliary of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union*.

Isitt, Benjamin. *Red Tide: The Political Life of Elgin "Scotty" Neish, Communist, Fisherman, Peace Worker*.

## **SUBMITTED/UNDER REVIEW**

Isitt, Benjamin. "On the Borders of Bolshevism: Race, Class and the Social Relations of Occupied Vladivostok, 1919." *Ab Imperio* (2012). Submitted.

Isitt, Benjamin. "Early Socialism in Canada: The Ethnic and International Impulse." *Canadian Journal of Political Science*. With Nelson Wiseman. In Progress.

Isitt, Benjamin. "Canada's Workers and Political Change: A Historical Assessment." Submitted.

## **TEACHING AND RESEARCH**

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS HELD**

2010-2011     Assistant Professor

Department of History, University of British Columbia

Courses Taught:

History 303: The Canadian West

History 402: Problems in International Relations: History of the Peace Movement

History 490: Seminar for History Majors: Labour and the Left in BC

- 2008-2010 Assistant Professor and Postdoctoral Fellow  
Department of History, University of Victoria  
Courses Taught:  
History 132: Canada Since 1867  
History 358: British Columbia Since 1945: Power and Protest  
History 469: Social Movements in World History
- 2007 Sessional Lecturer  
Department of History, University of New Brunswick  
Courses Taught:  
History 3332: The Canadian Worker Since 1914
- 2004-2007 SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship Doctoral Fellow  
Department of History, University of New Brunswick
- 2003-2004 Research Assistant  
Office of the Vice-President (Research), University of New Brunswick
- 2002 Teaching Assistant  
Department of History, University of Victoria  
Courses Assisted: History 131: Canada To 1867

### **OTHER TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS**

- 2007-2011 Historical Consultant and Researcher  
Contracted by:  
British Columbia Institute for Co-operative Studies  
West Coast Environmental Law  
Red Storm Productions
- 2008-2011 Lecturer (Volunteer)  
University of Victoria Speakers' Bureau  
Topics Offered:  
From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition  
Social Democracy in Canada and Beyond  
A Peoples' History of Victoria and Canada  
Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad  
J.S. Woodsworth and the Social Gospel Tradition in Canada  
Housing for All: Ending Homelessness in BC's Capital Region

- 2008           Lecturer (Volunteer)  
University 201 (Adult Education)  
Subject Taught: Labour History and Labour Movements
- 2007-2008     Research Officer  
Labour Market Information, B.C. Ministry of Advanced Education
- 2002-2003     Lecturer (Volunteer)  
University of Victoria Speakers' Bureau  
Topics Offered:  
A Peoples' History of British Columbia and Canada  
The Colonization of Vancouver Island  
The Canadian Left: Then and Now
- 2001-2003     Researcher  
Spring Ridge-Fernwood Heritage Group
- 2000-2001     News Editor  
Martlet Publishing Society  
University of Victoria Student Newspaper

### **COMPREHENSIVE DOCTORAL TEACHING FIELDS**

- Major Field    Legal History of Employment and Labour Relations (Dr. Judy Fudge)  
Major Field    Canadian History: Contact to the Present (Dr. Margaret Conrad)  
Minor Field    Comparative Labour & Working-Class History (Dr. Gregory S. Kealey)  
Minor Field    Political Parties, Party Systems, and Social Democracy (Dr. Karen Murray)

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

- 2011-2012     Victoria Colloquium in Political, Social and Legal Theory  
2011           Network in Canadian History and Environment Summer School, St. Andrews, NB  
2010           Effective Graduate Supervision Workshop, University of British Columbia  
2010           Designing Evaluation Methods Workshop, University of British Columbia  
2010           Oral History and Digital Storytelling Workshop, Concordia University  
2010           Facilitating Tutorial Discussion Workshop, University of Victoria  
2008-09       Dean of Humanities Professional Development Workshop, University of Victoria  
2009           Essentials For Career Success Seminar, University of Victoria  
2008           Intensive Summer Teaching Institute, University of Victoria

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION**

- 2011-2012     Canadian Law and Society Association  
2003-2012     Canadian Historical Association

2003-2012	Canadian Committee on Labour History
2010-2012	Canadian Committee on Public History
2011	Network in Canadian History and Environment
2002-2011	Pacific Northwest Labour History Association
2009-2011	BC Studies Association
2004-2010	Labor & Working Class History Association

## **AWARDS AND HONOURS**

### ***Major Research Grants & Fellowships***

2011-2014	SSHRC Standard Research Grant (collaborator); \$69,800
2011-2012	University of Victoria Fellowship; \$18,000
2008-2010	SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship; \$81,000
2009	SSHRC Research Development Initiatives grant (recommended); \$40,000
2004-2007	SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship (CGS) Doctoral Fellowship; \$105,000
2003-2004	University of New Brunswick PhD Graduate Arts Assistantship; \$20,000
2001-2003	University of Victoria Master of Arts Fellowship; \$24,800

### ***Writing Awards***

2008	Labour History Dissertation Prize (UK) (Honourable Mention)
2006	Labor & Working-Class History Association Best Graduate Research Prize; \$750

### ***Other Grants and Awards***

2011	Aid to Scholarly Publications Program Grant (UTP book); \$8,000
2011	University of Victoria Howard Petch Research Fellowship; \$7,500
2011	University of British Columbia Faculty Travel Grant; \$800
2010	SSHRC General Research Grant; \$4,000
2010	Universität Heidelberg Travel Grant; \$700
2010	Aid to Scholarly Publications Program Grant (UBC Press book); \$8,000
2010	University of Victoria Travel Grant; \$750
2009	University of Victoria Travel Grant; \$750
2009	University of Victoria Travel Grant; \$750
2009	University of Victoria Office of Community-Based Research Travel Grant; \$250
2008	SSHRC Postdoctoral Prize nominee (top 5% of applicants)
2008	Gregg Centre for the Study of War & Society Travel Grant; \$3,000
2008	British Columbia Institute for Co-operative Studies Research Stipend; \$4,000
2007	West Coast Environmental Law Research Grant; \$2,000
2007	University of New Brunswick H.H. Stuart Graduate Research Grant; \$1,000
2007	Canadian Historical Association Travel Grant; \$600
2006	University of New Brunswick H.H. Stuart Graduate Research Grant; \$1,000
2006	Security and Defence Forum Travel Grant; \$1300
2005	University of New Brunswick H.H. Stuart Graduate Research Grant; \$1,000

2004	UNB Graduate Student Association Travel Grant; \$300
2004	Security and Defence Forum Travel Grant; \$800
2004	University of New Brunswick H.H. Stuart Graduate Research Grant; \$1,000
2003	Association for Canadian Studies in the United States Travel Grant; \$400
2003	University of Victoria Graduate Travel Grant; \$750
2002	University of Victoria Graduate Travel Grant; \$500
2001	Sam and June Macey Graduate Student Award; \$1000
1999	Allan and Elizabeth McKinnon Scholarship; \$1000
1996	Jack Wallace Memorial Award; \$500
1996	Youth Community Action Award, 1996; \$200
1996	Baha'i Victoria Scholarship; \$250
1996	McGill University President's Scholarship (declined); \$16,500
1996	Queen's University Sesquicentennial Scholarship (declined); \$16,500
1996	University of Victoria Entrance Scholarship; \$2,000
1996	Province of British Columbia Scholarship; \$2,000

## **SERVICE**

### **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

2010-	Canadian Committee on Public History, Chair, Public History Prize Committee
2011-	Canadian Committee on Labour History, Secretary
2011-	Far Eastern Federal University, Vladivostok, International Council of Experts
2011-	University of Victoria Faculty of Law, Doctoral Representative, Faculty Council
2010-	<i>Canadian Historical Review</i> , Peer Reviewer
2010-2011	University of British Columbia Department of History, Colloquium Committee
2010	University of Victoria Department of History, Thesis Defence Chair (P. Craib)
2008-2010	University of Victoria Speakers' Bureau, Volunteer Lecturer
2008-2010	University of Victoria Housing & Homelessness Research Group
2008-2009	<i>BC Studies</i> journal, Peer Reviewer
2009	University of Victoria Peer Helping Program, Mentor
2009	University of Victoria Social Justice Studies Curriculum Development Workshop
2008	<i>Canadian Journal of Political Science</i> , Peer Reviewer
2008	Canadian Committee on Labour History, Eugene Forsey Prize Committee
2008	Canadian Association for Studies in Co-operation, Scholarship Committee
2008	Simon Fraser University Faculty of Education, Compassionate Canada Mentor
2008	University of Victoria "University 201" Adult Education Course, Instructor
2004	University of New Brunswick Senate, Senator (Alternate)
2004	University of New Brunswick Student Conduct Review Committee, Graduate Rep
2003-2004	University of New Brunswick Graduate Student Council, History Department Rep
2001-2003	University of Victoria Students' Society, Director-at-large

### **PUBLIC SERVICE**

2011-	City of Victoria, Councillor
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- 2011- Capital Regional District, Director
- 2011- Provincial Capital Commission, Director
- 2011- Capital Region Water Board, Director
- 2009- Victoria-Khabarovsk Association, Vice-President/Director-at-Large
- 2007-2009 Spring Ridge Community Housing Trust, President
- 2006-2009 City of Victoria Environment and Shoreline Advisory Committee, Member
- 2005-2008 Fernwood Community Association, Director-at-Large
- 2006-2007 Canadian Community Housing Foundation, Research Director
- 2003-2006 New Democratic Youth of Canada, Policy Director
- 1998-2001 Community Race Relations Association (Victoria), Volunteer

## **OTHER RESEARCH CONTRIBUTIONS**

### **INVITED LECTURES**

- 2011 “Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad: A Canadian Historians’ View.” Keynote address to Victoria-Khabarovsk Association Annual Meeting. Victoria, BC. 12 May.
- 2011 “Canada’s Workers and Political Change: A Historical Assessment.” Invited workshop on The Politics of Labour in Canada. York University, Toronto, Ontario. 14 April.
- 2011 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Western Front Association Pacific Coast District Annual Meeting. Victoria, BC. 5 March.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Department of History Colloquium Series Lecture. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC. 18 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Department of History Guest Lecture. Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, BC. 16 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Gregg Centre for the Study of War and Society invited lecture, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, New Brunswick. 29 October.
- 2010 “Canadian Military History: The State of the Field.” Invited lecture sponsored by the Canadian War Museum and UBC Press. Ottawa, Ontario. 28 October.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Invited lecture sponsored by the Department of History. Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario. 28 October.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Historians’ Craft invited lecture sponsored by the Department of History. York University, Toronto, Ontario. 27 October.
- 2010 “Canada’s Siberian Expedition Virtual Exhibition.” Invited lecture sponsored by the Department of History and the William Ready Division of Archives and Research Collections, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario. 27 October.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Invited lecture sponsored by the Department of History. University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario. 27 October.

- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Global Fridays Distinguished Lecture Series. University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George, BC. 5 February.
- 2010 “Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad: A Canadian Historian’s View.” Co-sponsored by History, Geography, Natural Resources programs. University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George, BC. 4 February.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” History 180 War and Society class. University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George, BC. 4 February.
- 2010 “Canada and the First World War.” Joseph Mairs Memorial. Ladysmith, BC. 23 January.
- 2009 “Canada and Russia in the World Today.” Institute of Foreign Relations, Far Eastern National University, Vladivostok, Russia. 2 October.
- 2009 “The Canadians in Vladivostok, 1919.” Centre for Canadian-American Studies, Institute of History, Far Eastern National University, Vladivostok, Russia. 2 October.
- 2009 “Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1918-1919.” Far Eastern State Humanitarian University, Khabarovsk, Russia. 30 September.
- 2009 “Canadian-Russian Relations Today.” Institute of History and International Relations, Kemerovo State University, Kemerovo, Russia. 29 September.
- 2009 “Canada and the Russian Revolution: The Siberian Moment, 1918-1919.” Keynote address to Siberia During the Civil War Conference. Kemerovo State University, Kemerovo, Russia. 28 September.
- 2009 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” Keynote address to Victoria-Khabarovsk Association Annual General Meeting. Victoria, BC. 2 April.
- 2008 “Canadian Workers and the First World War: Lessons for Today.” Ninety Years After the War to End All Wars Conference. Vancouver, BC. November.
- 2008 “Housing for All: The Social Economy and Homelessness in British Columbia’s Capital Region.” British Columbia Institute for Co-operative Studies and Canadian Social Economy Hub. University of Victoria. October.
- 2006 “Mutiny from Victoria to Vladivostok, December 1918.” North American Labor History Conference. Detroit. October 2006. Invited lecture as recipient of Labor and Working-Class History Association Best Graduate Research Prize.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

- 2012 “Crises of Legitimacy: Judging Social Movements in British Columbia.” Canadian Law and Society Association Annual Meeting. Waterloo, Ontario. 28 May. (*forthcoming*)
- 2011 “Mystery Pickets and the Rank-and-File Challenge to Postwar Industrial Legality.” Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Fredericton, New Brunswick. 30 May.
- 2011 “The NDP at Fifty: A Historical Assessment.” Society for Socialist Studies Annual Conference. Fredericton, New Brunswick. 1 June.
- 2010 “On the Borders of Bolshevism: Race, Class, and the Social Relations of Occupied Vladivostok, 1919.” Heidelberg Universität Workshop on Bordertowns in Northeast Asia. Heidelberg, Germany. 25 November.
- 2010 “‘Out of the Kitchen, Into the Fight’: The Women’s Auxiliary of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers’ Union.” Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Montreal, Quebec. May.

- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Military History Colloquium. Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, May.
- 2009 “Housing for All: The Social Economy and Homelessness in British Columbia’s Capital Region.” Symposium on Challenges to Affordable and Sustainable Housing. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC. October.
- 2009 “Canada and the Russian Revolution: The Siberian Moment, 1918-1919.” Siberia During the Civil War Conference. Kemerovo State University, Kemerovo, Russia. September.
- 2009 “Contested Place: The Case of Langford’s Bear Mountain Development.” BC Studies Conference. University of Victoria, Victoria, BC. May.
- 2009 “Tug-of-War: Rethinking Postwar Labour Relations.” New Voices in Labour Studies Conference. Brock University, St. Catharines, Ont. March.
- 2009 “Canada and the Russian Revolution: The Siberian Moment.” World History and Historical Materialism Conference. University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba. March.
- 2008 “Moscow on the Fraser: The Communist Party in Cold War British Columbia.” Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, BC. June.
- 2008 “Fellow Traveller: A British Columbia Communist Fisherman Travels Through the Eastern Bloc, 1952.” Pacific Northwest Labour History Association Conference. Vancouver, BC. June.
- 2008 “‘An Elementary and Progressive Break from Capitalist Politics’: The Cold War and the 1950 Vancouver Convention of the CCF.” Qualicum Conference. Parksville. January.
- 2007 “Tug-of-War: Working-Class Agency and Political Change in Cold War British Columbia.” Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Saskatoon. May.
- 2007 “The Hospital Employees Union Strike and the Privatization of Medicare in British Columbia.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting. Minneapolis. March.
- 2007 “British Columbia Workers Respond to the Cold War, 1948-1956.” Qualicum History Conference. Parksville, BC. January.
- 2006 “Mutiny from Victoria to Vladivostok, December 1918.” North American Labor History Conference. Detroit. October.
- 2005 “Working-Class Women and Political Action in British Columbia, 1948-1972.” Labouring Feminism & Feminist Working-Class History in Canada & Beyond Conference, Toronto. October.
- 2005 “The Growth of the General Strike Idea in British Columbia: Industrial Solidarity in Historical Perspective.” Pacific Northwest Labour History Association. Vancouver. June.
- 2004 “A History of Higher Education in British Columbia.” CUPE British Columbia Education Conference. Vancouver. November.
- 2004 “Socialism Postponed: The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation in British Columbia, 1941-1952.” North American Labor History Conference. Detroit. October.
- 2003 “British Columbia Labour and the Development of Social Democracy in Canada.” Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) Biennial Meeting. Portland, Oregon. November.
- 2003 “Canada’s One Big Union and the First World War.” North American Labor History Conference. Detroit. October.
- 2003 “Between Syndicalism and Social Democracy: The Political Organization of BC Labour, 1919-1932.” Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Halifax. May.
- 2003 “Disciplinary Boundaries and the Fragmentation of Historical Knowledge: The Case of BC Labour History.” Mapping Knowledge Conference. Victoria. February.

- 2003 “From Syndicalism to Social Democracy.” Qualicum History Conference. Qualicum Beach, BC. January.
- 2002 “Battling Bolshevism from Victoria to Vladivostok.” Pacific Northwest Labour History Association Conference. Vancouver. June.
- 2002 “Young Workers: What Were They Thinking?” Pacific Northwest Labour History Association Conference. Vancouver. June.
- 2002 “Battling Bolshevism from Victoria to Vladivostok.” Qualicum History Conference. Qualicum Beach, BC. January.

### **CONFERENCE DISCUSSANT/MODERATOR**

- 2012 “Private Lives and Politics.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference. Parksville, BC. 28 January.
- 2011 “The Rise and Fall of Canada’s Postwar ‘Golden Age.’” Panel chair at Canadian Historical Association Annual Meeting. Fredericton, New Brunswick. 31 May.
- 2011 “The Canadian Federal Election.” Panel moderator at St. John’s College, University of British Columbia, Vancouver. 27 April.
- 2011 “War, Disaster, and Peace in Europe.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference. Parksville, BC. 30 January.
- 2011 “Canada and the World.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference. Parksville, BC. 29 January.
- 2010 “Approaches to Housing Research.” Chair and moderator for Tele-Learning Session involving 50 scholars, housing practitioners, and students. Canadian Social Economy Research Partnerships. Various campuses across Canada. 16 February.
- 2010 “Labour and Politics in British Columbia.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference, Parksville, BC. 30 January.
- 2009 “The Student Movement in the 1960s.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference, Parksville, BC. January.
- 2009 “The Left in Western Canada.” Panel chair at Qualicum History Conference, Parksville, BC. January.

### **PUBLIC LECTURES**

- 2012 “Revolution and Military Intervention in the Middle East.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture at William Head Correctional Institution. Metchosin, BC. 6 March. (*forthcoming*)
- 2012 “Revolution and Military Intervention in the Middle East.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture at Jewish Community Centre. Victoria, BC. 20 February.
- 2012 “A People’s History of Victoria and Canada.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Doncaster Elementary School. Victoria, BC. 10 February.
- 2012 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Beechwood Village Seniors’ Group. Sidney, BC. 12 January.
- 2012 “Revolution and Military Intervention in the Middle East.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Garden City United Church Dinner Club, Saanich, BC. 6 January.
- 2011 “A People’s History of Victoria and Canada.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Douglas House Senior’s Group. Victoria, BC. 28 November.
- 2011 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” UVic Speakers’

- Bureau lecture to James Bay Community Project. Victoria, BC. 24 November.
- 2011 “British Columbia Workers and Political Change.” World Peace Forum Teach-In. Vancouver, BC. 12 November.
- 2011 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Berwick House Seniors’ Group. Saanich, BC. 21 October.
- 2011 “J.S. Woodsworth and Canada’s Social Gospel Tradition.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Cadboro United Church Breakfast Club. Victoria, BC. 1 October.
- 2011 “Howard Zinn and the Practice of Peoples’ History.” Public discussion organized by the People’s Co-op Bookstore, Rio Theatre, Vancouver, BC. 13 July.
- 2011 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Public lecture at Mondragon Bookstore and Café. Winnipeg, MB. 29 June.
- 2011 “Militant Minority.” Public presentation at Moka House Café. Victoria, BC. 26 June.
- 2011 “Revolution and Intervention in the Arab World and Middle East.” Public lecture to World Federalists Association. Victoria, BC. 29 April.
- 2010 “Canada’s Military: Past, Present, and Future.” Panel presentation at BC Government Employees’ Union Hall. Victoria, BC. 11 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Public lecture to Island Solidarity Centre. Victoria, BC. 10 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Public lecture to Greater Victoria Seniors’ Association. Victoria, BC. 10 November.
- 2010 “Canada’s Siberian Expedition: The Website and the Book.” Public presentation to University of Victoria Department of History, Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies, Humanities Computing Centre, and Special Collections. Victoria, BC. 8 November.
- 2010 “My Siberian Expedition.” Public presentation at UBC Press Book Launch. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC. 3 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Public lecture at St. John’s College, UBC. Vancouver, BC. 2 November.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Public lecture sponsored by the Société d’histoire et de généalogie de Rivière-du-Loup. Rivière-du-Loup, Quebec. 30 October.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition, 1917-19.” Guest lecture to Russian 161 (Culture of the Russian Revolution), University of Victoria, Victoria, BC. 15 October.
- 2010 “Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Rods and Reels Club. Victoria, BC. 13 April.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Cadboro Bay United Church Group. Saanich, BC. 12 April.
- 2010 “A Peoples’ History of Victoria and Canada.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Cridge Club. Church of our Lord. Victoria, BC. 1 April.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Time Out for Women Group, Cadboro Bay United Church. Saanich, BC. 16 March.
- 2010 “From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada’s Siberian Expedition.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Oak Bay United Church Men’s Club. Victoria, BC. 15 March.

- 2010 "Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Glenwarren Lodge. Victoria, BC. 27 January.
- 2010 "Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Time Out for Women Group, Cadboro Bay United Church. Saanich, BC. 12 January.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to William Head Correctional Institute. Metchosin, BC. 1 December.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Peninsula Stroke Recovery Club. Saanichton, BC. 30 November.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Cridge Club. Church of our Lord. Victoria BC. 23 November.
- 2009 "J.S. Woodsworth and Canada's Social Gospel Tradition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to James Bay United Church Dinner Club. Victoria, BC. 9 November.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Norgarden Seniors' Home. Sidney, BC. 4 November.
- 2009 "Housing for All: The Social Economy and Homelessness in British Columbia's Capital Region." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to G.R. Pearkes Community Centre. Saanich, BC. 27 October.
- 2009 "A Peoples' History of Victoria and Canada." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Doncaster Elementary School. Saanich, BC. 24 March.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to James Bay United Church Group. Victoria, BC. 9 February.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." The History Undergraduate Society guest lecture. University of Victoria, Victoria, BC. 28 January.
- 2009 "Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad." Historical Works in Progress Lecture, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC. 22 January.
- 2009 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Amica House. Sidney, BC. 9 January.
- 2008 "A People's History of Canada." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Berwick House. Saanich, BC. 28 November.
- 2008 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to the Kinsmen-40 Club. Saanich, BC. 27 November.
- 2008 "Journey Along the Trans-Siberian Railroad." University of Victoria Russian Club guest lecture, Victoria, BC, 26 November.
- 2008 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Priory Hospital. Langford, BC. 23 October.
- 2008 "The Conquest of New France." History 130: Canada to 1867, University of Victoria. 20 October.
- 2008 "From Victoria to Vladivostok: Canada's Siberian Expedition." UVic Speakers' Bureau lecture to Kiwanis Club of Victoria. Victoria, BC. 24 September.
- 2008 "Labour and Politics in Canada." University 201 continuing education lecture. University of Victoria. 14 March.
- 2008 "Canadian Labour History: An Introduction." University 201 continuing education lecture. University of Victoria. 7 March.
- 2008 "May Day Then and Now." lecture delivered at May Day Celebration. Victoria. 1 May.
- 2007 "A History of Higher Education in British Columbia." Lecture to CUPE British Columbia Education Conference. Vancouver. November.

- 2005 “The British Columbia Left.” Lecture at Power of Community Conference. James Bay Community School, Victoria. November.
- 2003 “The Canadian Left: Then and Now.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Victoria. Victoria. April.
- 2003 “A People’s History of British Columbia and Canada.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Amica Seniors’ Home. Victoria. March.
- 2003 “The Canadian Left: Then and Now.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to the Victoria Humanists. Victoria. February.
- 2002 “The Colonization of Vancouver Island.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Beacon Villa. Sidney, BC. November.
- 2002 “A People’s History of British Columbia and Canada.” UVic Speakers’ Bureau lecture to Glengarry Seniors. Victoria. October.

### **MEDIA AND FILM**

- 2012 Director and Writer. *Canada’s Siberian Expedition*. Documentary film under production in English and French. [www.SiberianExpedition.ca/film](http://www.SiberianExpedition.ca/film)
- 2011 Review of *Militant Minority*. “Labour played key role in province’s development,” *Times Colonist* (Victoria), 24 December 2011.
- 2011 Commentator. “Victoria mutiny of 1918 revived in call for justice.” *Times Colonist* (Victoria). 22 December 1918.
- 2011 On-Air Commentator. “Mutinerie en Victoria.” Radio-Canada Television. 21 December.
- 2011 On-Air Commentator. “Mutiny Remembered.” CTV News Vancouver Island. 21 December.
- 2011 Media interview on mutiny commemoration. CBC Radio Victoria. 21 December.
- 2011 Media interview on mutiny commemoration. CFX 1070 Radio. 21 December.
- 2011 Media interview on mutiny commemoration. Vancouver Co-op Radio. 21 December.
- 2011 Media coverage. “Memory of mutineers honoured at downtown gathering.” *Victoria News*. 21 December 1918.
- 2011 Media interview on Jack Layton. CKNW News Radio Vancouver. 28 August.
- 2011 Media interview on *Militant Minority*. CFX 1070 Morning Show, Victoria, BC. 28 June.
- 2011 On-Air Commentator on Canada Post labour dispute. CBC Radio One “All Points West” Afternoon Show. 23 June.
- 2011 Historical Consultant. *History of Working People in British Columbia*. Documentary film produced by Erik Paullson, Red Storm Productions for the BC Knowledge Network.
- 2011 Historical Consultant. “The Siberian Bullet.” *History Detectives*. Public Broadcasting System (PBS). New York, New York. January-February.
- 2010 Media Coverage. “Siberian Expedition to Battle Bolsheviks Began in Victoria.” *Times Colonist* (Victoria). 28 November.
- 2010 Media Coverage. “Mutiny Suppressed, a Siberian Expedition Goes Bust.” *Globe and Mail* (Toronto). 10 November.
- 2010 Media interview on *From Victoria to Vladivostok*. CBC Radio One. “All Points West” Afternoon Show. 8 November.
- 2010 Media Coverage. “Who’s Who British Columbia.” *BC Bookworld* (Vancouver). Spring.

- 2010 Commentator. "Workin' in a Coal Mine." *Monday Magazine* (Victoria). 30 April.
- 2010 Commentator. "Labour Martyr to be Remembered." *Cowichan Valley Citizen* (Duncan). 22 January.
- 2010 Consultant. *Ginger*. Feature-length film under production by director Bryan Skinner. Victoria. *In Progress*.
- 2009 On-Camera Commentator. *Voice of BC* television show. Shaw Television. 26 November.
- 2009 On-Camera Commentator. *Voice of BC* television show. Shaw Television. 22 October.
- 2009 Commentator. "Pro 'Krasnyh,' 'Belyh,' i 'Lishnih' Kanadcev" [About Reds, Whites, and "Superfluous" Canadians]. *Kuzbass* newspaper (Kemerovo, Russia). 30 September.
- 2009 Consultant and Researcher. *The Edge of the World: BC's Early Years*. Documentary film produced by Erik Paullson, Red Storm Productions for the BC Knowledge Network.
- 2009 Commentator. "Janki v Ulan-Udje" [Yankees in Ulan-Ude]. *Nomer Odin* newspaper (Irkutsk, Russia). 15 April.
- 2008 Commentator. "Academics Link Unions to Anti-War Failings." *Georgia Straight* (Vancouver). 16 October.
- 2008 Commentator. "Sleazy Sprawl: New Report Alleges Conflicts of Interest, Backroom Dealings at Bear Mountain." *Martlet* (Victoria). 17 January.
- 2008 Consultant and On-Camera Commentator. *Under the Garden City: The Search for Victoria's Secret Tunnels*. Canada Council film directed by John McFetrick. Victoria.
- 2004 Consultant and On-Air Commentator. *A Prayer for Oliver Mowat*. CBC Radio Documentary Feature. By Jacques Poitras. Fredericton, New Brunswick. July.
- 2002 On-Air Commentator. *Through the Eyes of Fernwood*. Village 900 Radio Feature. Victoria. April.
- 2001 Commentator. "Labour Issues Loom Large for Incoming Liberal Cabinet." *Vancouver Sun*. 6 June.