We hope to welcome you at the meeting with a ceremony from the Musqueam First Nation. The land on which the conference hotel sits, the Westin Bayshore, along with the adjacent Stanley Park, is part of the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations. They are the three local Coast Salish nations for whom Vancouver is part of their unceded territory.

The SfAA website lists not only our planning committee members’ names and email addresses but now provides the topics under which they organize their sessions. Check it out and feel free to contact the planning committee members if you plan to organize a session or offer an individual submission related to one of these themes, though submissions are in no way limited to the topic list now on the website: http://www.sfaa.net/annual-meeting/.

We will be sharing with you in this and future SfAA NEWS some of the exciting events and sessions to occur. We note below a few planning committee members with backgrounds of each.

Jim Waldram, of the Canadian Anthropology Society (CASCA), University of Saskatchewan, Canada, will host an innovative panel of invited scholars from the US and Canada, including practicing scholars, to discuss Intersections of Canadian and U.S. applied anthropology.

Kim de Rijke, an anthropologist at the University of Queensland, Australia, will draw on colleagues from various nations for sessions regarding Natural Resource and Energy Developments, Politics and People. Kim has done research regarding coal-seam and unconventional gas extraction, aka fracking. Professor David Trigger, a prominent professor of the Social Sciences at the same university, is helping Kim organize these sessions.

Amanda Stronza, Texas A & M University, is developing sessions on our topical area: Biodiversity, People, Parks and Ecologies. Amanda is also director of an ENGO in Botswana, and has done work on parks and protected areas. She will be helped by Rebecca Witter, a post-doc at he University of British Columbia.
Anna Willow, Ohio State University, is developing sessions regarding Indigenous Peoples, Land Claims, Rights, Title, Treaty and Law. Most of her work is on rights and title as applied to forestry, but has done work on identity and natural resources as well, especially a recent book on rights and title and land management.

Susan Crate, George Mason University, is developing sessions regarding Climate Change. She has done work on climate-effected communities, adaptation and resilience, including an ethnography of climate change. Shannon Hagerman will help her organize sessions. Shannon and Terre Satterfield have done work together on implications of climate change for parks and protected areas in Canada.

Holly Barker, University of Washington, tackles sessions regarding Toxicty, Pollution, and Environmental Degradation. Holly is the author with Barbara Johnston of a large body of work on the cold war devastation and contamination of the Marshall Islands, most notably the Rongalap Report. We expect participants from various related disciplines in sessions Holly develops.

Leslie Robertson, University of British Columbia, Canada, is pulling together participants and sessions regarding Public Anthropology and the Social Project. Leslie is an applied anthropologist whose work spans work with 'Namgis Nation and also has recently worked in Vancouver’s downtown eastside; on transitions from mining to post-industrial ‘tourist’ communities in the Canadian Rockies, among other areas. Her sessions will focus on the work of applied anthropologists who work with and support the needs and projects that are sustained over years if not decades, such as reducing poverty, adequate housing, fighting for title or land claims, seeking restitution for historical harms.

Bruce Granville Miller, University of British Columbia, is working with co-Program Chair, Steve Langdon, on our special event to honor the work of Canadian Justice Thomas Berger which will occur on Vancouver Day, Tuesday, the first day of the conference (free and open to the public). The event, Honoring Justice Thomas Berger: Applying Anthropology at the Intersection of Indigenous Knowledge, Aboriginal Rights and the Law, will consist of a panel discussing Justice Berger’s impacts on Canadian policies and law and his use of anthropology in his career. Justice Berger will attend this session and provide commentary. The panel will be followed by a SfAA hosted reception for him. Professor Miller has done work regarding Coast Salish First Nations, Aboriginal treaty, rights and title. In addition, throughout the conference, an exhibit developed by anthropologist Drew Ann Wake, titled “Thunder in Our Voices,” concerning the landmark Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry conducted by Justice Berger, will be on display, which includes documentation of anthropologists and their role in the process.

Josiah McC. Heyman, University of Texas at El Paso, is developing sessions on Political Ecology (he represents our SfAA 2016 conference co-Sponsor, the Political Ecology Society, PESO). He will coordinate with Lois Stanford (New Mexico State University), an agricultural anthropologist who examines the globalization and restructuring of local and export foods systems (Lois is a member of the Culture and Agriculture Section of the American Anthropological Association). Out of a concern for the length of this report, we offer below a BRIEF SUMMARY OF OUR OTHER TOPICS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO ARE DEVELOPING SESSIONS ON A TOPIC (SEE the SfAA website for email addresses of each person).

**Business Anthropology and Other NAPA Topics** - Ellen Puccia, NAPA Lisa Henry, NAPA, University of North Texas

**Health Illness and Disease** - Karen Breda, University of Hartford John “Juan” Luque, Medical University of South Carolina

**Food and Nutrition** - Don Stull, University of Kansas

**Forensic Anthropology** - Ryan Harrod, University of Alaska Anchorage

**Immigration, Migration, Resettlement and Border Issues** -

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**Fisheries and Marine Planning** - Patricia Clay, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association

**Heritage, Representation and Utilization** - Dana Lepofsky, Simon Fraser University

**Developing Indigenous Economies** - Benedict J. Colombi, University of Arizona

**Museums, Representation and Utilization** - Jennifer Shannon, University of Colorado Museum of Natural History

**Well-Being and Livelihoods** - Richard Pollnac, University of Rhode Island

*A hint of the wonderful diversity of offerings at this SfAA 2016 meeting:*

- The Centre for Imaginative Ethnography plans several innovative sessions, including but not limited to: using performance to teach ethnography (student performances and faculty discussions), a guided tour/workshop through the city with a focus on walking as a method, an ethnographic performance, an arts-based installation -- objects, paintings, videos, performed readings: Sensing the Moment: Imaginative Intersections of Art and Ethnography.

- Digital Anthropology sessions/workshops, e.g., Digital Curation of Institutional Collections

- Sessions will occur regarding food security over time and across space, involving participants with long term field relationships with communities, and homelessness issues.

- Land management strategies of indigenous communities.
Teaching applied anthropology courses, developing applied anthropology programs.

Several sessions involving First Nations anthropologists and leaders.

Workshops and informative Tours to explore the museums, parks and other not-to-miss Vancouver sites and anthropologically-significant environs.

Join the excitement! Submit a paper, panel, session, or just mark your calendar for the SfAA 2016, Vancouver!

TIGS and Other Groups Preparing for 2016 Meetings

Several of the Society’s Topical Interest Groups (TIGS) are actively involved in organizing sessions and soliciting papers and other contributions to the annual meetings in Vancouver. They are joined by other “clusters” and groups which, while not yet TIGS, have taken the initiative of soliciting proposals related to their particular areas of interest. Over the past couple of years the Society has encouraged such activity by assisting these interest groups in soliciting proposals and organizing sessions and by providing several of them with greater control over how proposals in their area are scheduled at the annual meetings. One innovation this year is to include on the online abstract form a place where proposal submitters can indicate that they would like their submission to be included with those of a particular group (the groups represented this year are business anthropology, extraction, fisheries, gender-based violence, higher education, risk and disaster, immigration, tourism and heritage, and displacement and resettlement).

The following announcements and solicitations have recently been received from the TIGS and other groups:

For the 2015 meetings in Pittsburgh the International Network on Displacement and Resettlement (INDR) sponsored twelve sessions in which about 50 presenters critically examined all dimensions of the World Bank’s proposed changes of its safeguard policies on the forcefully displaced. For the upcoming meetings in Vancouver, the newly established Displacement and Resettlement TIG will follow up on the World Bank policy changes and also focus on new research questions and findings on the “resettlement effect,” theory building, field methods, and tools in analyzing data collected in the field. If your research is related to any type of displacement and resettlement (for example, dam or mining project-induced displacement and resettlement, environmental change induced displacement and resettlement, or conservation related displacement and resettlement) please consider submitting your abstracts to the Displacement and Resettlement TIG by checking off “Displacement and Resettlement” on the online abstract form. We also encourage you to propose sessions within the framework. For further information please contact Juan Xi at jx@uakron.edu.

The Gender Based Violence TG (GBV-TIG) will sponsor a number of sessions at the Vancouver meetings. The GBV-TIG will accept general proposals for papers or panel sessions until October 15th (email to sameena.mulla@marquette.edu). All topics are on the table, but some specific issues that TIG members have expressed an interest in are GBV and LGBTQ identity; witchcraft and GBV; mediation and reconciliation as strategies for addressing GBV; language and GBV; publishing on GBV; obstetric violence; students voices on campus sexual assault; race, gender and policing; and state impunity and GBV. Again, we will accept submissions in other areas, and do our best to put together coherent panels.

In addition, panels on publishing GBV scholarship and campus sexual assault are already planned. Please share this opportunity with interested colleagues and let’s make these upcoming SfAA meetings in Vancouver a place where we can have significant and critical conversations about gender-based violence.

Judith Freidenberg (jfreiden@umd.edu) and Sarah Horton (Sarah.Horton@ucdenviru.edu) have helped organize papers and sessions around the theme of Immigration for the past two annual meetings and are working together this year to do the same. The theme for the 2016 is “Intersections,” which fits well with many immigration-related themes. One anticipated session will be a panel on Canada’s Seasonal Agricultural Worker Program. Persons wishing to contribute to this topic can contact Judith or Sarah and/or submit their abstracts online and check off “Immigration” on the online abstract form.

The past century has seen an unprecedented level of social and environmental transformation, inextricably bound to new extreme forms of resource extraction. To explore this area, including mining and fracking, and all their related infrastructure and effects, the ExtrACTIONS TIG invites community studies, practical workshops, film screenings, poster presentations, theoretical and ethical analyses, poetry, prose and puppet shows: all explorations of the extraction process. Broad areas of interest include extraction and activism; how extraction pasts shape extraction present; assessing the risks of extraction; community studies; and alternative futures. If you are interested in organizing a panel or workshop, or just and individual presentation, please send preliminary inquiries to Jeanne Simonelli (simonejm@wfu.edu).

The recently established Higher Education TIG is encouraging the development of papers and sessions related to such possible topics as transformational instructional change, community relations, professionalizing careers in areas such as IT, libraries, diversity, and bringing research to practice. There is considerable interest in sessions on educational issues related to indigenous peoples and emerging interest in issues related to global higher education. The TIG also hopes to include a round table discussion on the dynamics of relations of faculty with graduate students who do not want academic careers. For more information contact Brian Foster (fosterb1@missouri.edu).

Some TIGs and other groups are represented in this issue of SfAA News with their own submissions. Additional TIGs and groups that are actively seeking contributions include an interest group developing sessions related to Museums (contact Alaka Wali (awali@fieldmuseum.org), Kristin Sullivan (KSULLIVAN@salisbury.edu), or Amy Carattini.

Malinowski Address in Vancouver

Dr. Paul Farmer will deliver the Malinowski Address in Vancouver

The Malinowski Address will be delivered at the 76th Annual Meeting by the world-renown anthropologist/physician, Paul Farmer. The Address will be presented on Friday evening, April 1, 2016, in the Ballroom of the Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver.

Dr. Farmer has established a remarkable reputation as a scholar, an innovative clinician, and a dedicated advocate for human rights. His writings on healthcare and inequality have reached an international audience. The organization that he founded - Partners in Health - is a model for NGOs involved in health and human services.

The Malinowski Award is presented annually by the SfAA to a senior social scientist who has established a reputation for using those disciplines to further the understanding of society’s needs.
CONAA Invites SfAA Members to Submit Abstracts for SfAA 2016

by Karen Lucas Breda, President of CONAA (Council on Nursing and Anthropology)

CONAA, the “Council on Nursing and Anthropology” opens its membership to anthropologists, health care professionals and other applied scholars. CONAA is a co-sponsoring organization with the Society for Applied Anthropology for SfAA 2016 in Vancouver, British Columbia and we are creating exciting sessions for the upcoming meetings.

Our CONAA sessions in 2016 will focus on the political economy of non-profit organizations, health and social rights for vulnerable populations, human trafficking, the intersections of disciplines and disciplinary knowledge, health care issues related to populations (e.g. the elderly, women, families, immigrant groups) and other topics relevant to the conference theme.

We invite all SfAA members to consider submitting an abstract to CONAA for inclusion in a CONAA-sponsored session at SfAA. All abstracts should be emailed to breda@hartford.edu by Oct. 5, 2015.

The 2016 program theme “Intersections” allows us to explore topics including the linkages anthropologists enjoy with other disciplines. As scholars and practitioners interested in nursing and anthropology we are comfortable working with other disciplines and knowledge bases. We seek opportunities for collaboration and teamwork and new knowledge through understanding the ways forms of local and professional knowledge intersect.

This promises to be an exciting meeting for SMA members who want to network with other like-minded colleagues on current issues related to health, healthcare, and health inequalities.

John Luque and Sean Bruna will be the Society for Medical Anthropology Co-Chairs for the 2016 SfAA Vancouver Meetings. They posted a call for abstract and panel sessions recently on the SMA website (http://www.medanthro.net/society-for-applied-anthropology-sfaa-meeting/). There are some active postings on the AAA_SMA listserv about the following panels being organized:

Alexander Riedlach and Laura Heinemann (Creighton U) are planning on organizing a panel on caregiving. They are looking for presenters who will address how caregivers navigate policy, regulation and rules to fulfill their caregiving duties.

David Rozen (independent scholar) is organizing a panel on the topic of welfare policy reforms and its connection to impacting health disparities.

Kenneth Maes (Oregon State U) is organizing a panel on ethnographic accounts of community health workers’ complex concerns, priorities, relationships, and knowledge/skills across various settings, building on his recent guest edited issue of the Annals of Anthropological Practice.

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Dr. Paul Farmer has been selected to receive the Malinowski Award and deliver the Malinowski Address at the conference. This will be of particular interest to SMA members.

This year, the SMA business meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 19th from 6:15 to 8:30 followed by the reception.

To submit a paper or panel, please visit the SfAA meeting website at (http://www.sfaa.net/annual-meeting/) by October 15.

Common interests of CONAA members are basic and applied health research, improved health care for vulnerable populations, and encouraging cultural and social justice content in health care education. Of the current membership, about half are nurse-anthropologists. Others include those with graduate degrees in nursing with a specialty of trans-cultural or cross-cultural nursing or with a minor in anthropology, as well as anthropologists who teach in schools of nursing or other clinical fields. CONAA holds yearly business meetings at SfAA followed by informal receptions for networking and mutual support.

For more information about CONAA, visit http://www.conaa.org or email me Karen Breda, CONAA President at breda@hartford.edu

Political Ecology Society, PESO

by Joe Heyman [jimheyman@utep.edu]

Political ecology attends to power in human-environmental relations. The Political Ecology Society, PESO, is a key organization encouraging this perspective. Political ecology is crucial in our era of global climate change, which also involves local and regional climate change. The major driving forces of atmospheric change derive from the global energy-economy, and the ricocheting effects stimulate important paths of change, competition, and rearrangement. Similar remarks can be made about water, food, habitat, and so forth. PESO meetings include exciting sessions, presentation of the Wolf Prize for best paper by a dissertation-stage scholar—fascinating and exciting new work—and a business session. The business meeting does not, on first appearance, sound exciting, but actually it is a fascinating experiment in DIY, non-capitalist scholarship, since PESO’s sessions, its 100% open access journal Journal of Political Ecology, and its awards are all done by a fun and enthusiastic band of volunteers.

PESO meets with the SfAA because of our shared interests in applications of social science, in this case to these pressing human-environmental issues. SfAA’s Extractive TIG will offer numerous papers that compliment PESO’s interests. The PESO sessions interweave with SfAA sessions on participatory and action methods, grounded social justice, the production of health and well-being, and so forth—a mutual fertilization of ideas and methods between the applied social sciences and the human-environmental nexus. PESO welcomes you to the 2016 meetings in Vancouver. Please register and submit individual papers and sessions.
Student Corner

by Jessica-Jean Casler
Board Member
PhD Candidate
University of Florida

The Board is still working on forming the Student Committee, so apologies if you have not yet received a reply to your inquiry. This should hopefully be done by the end of September, so please keep checking your inbox. We are excited for our new Student Committee because they always play an important role in the meetings, providing opportunities for students to connect with each other, as well as professionals.

In previous years, the Student Committee has organized and sponsored student-only panels that reflect our memberships’ exciting and innovative work across a variety of disciplines. Those panels are recorded by the SfAA Podcast Project, giving participating students an extra chance to share their work with colleagues that may not have been able to attend the meetings. The theme for this year’s conference is “Intersections” and should provide an opportunity for some truly collaborative, interdisciplinary, and self-reflective work for this year’s Student Committee-sponsored panels. If you are selected for the Student Committee’s panel they will notify you upon your acceptance.

See y’all soon!

Vancouver Spectacular By Nature

Vancouver offers the winning combination of a modern, diverse city and a stunning natural setting. You will love the ease with which you can experience both urban activities such as shopping, dining and cultural attractions, and then explore mountaintops and pristine waterways in the next breath.

Access to Vancouver (and Beyond)

Vancouver is home to the award-winning Vancouver International Airport (YVR), the second-largest airport on North America’s west coast. Travelling downtown is as easy as taking a taxi, limo or the Canada Line rapid transit system, which takes less than 30 minutes. Once downtown, all you need is your feet to get around our extremely walkable downtown core. Using Vancouver as the gateway to the rest of British Columbia, it’s easy to explore this unique region in pre- and post-meeting excursions to areas including Whistler, Victoria, the Okanagan wine region; or on trips such as a Rocky Mountaineer train adventure or a Vancouver/Alaska cruise.

Photo Credit: Larry Goldstein Aquarium and Creek
Vancouver is a mix of different religions, abilities, sexual orientations, ethnicities and cultural groups from all over the world and Canada’s Aboriginal communities.

A Leader in Sustainability

This is the city that founded Greenpeace in the 1970s, and you’ll find sustainable practices enveloped into all facets of a visit to Vancouver. A highly-accessible transit system and a compact, walkable downtown make it easy and eco-friendly to get around, and you’ll find most hotels reaching high standards in sustainability certification. All of this works towards the City of Vancouver’s pledge to become the world’s greenest city by 2020.

World-Class Cuisine

Vancouver has a deserved reputation as one of Canada’s best dining destinations. In fact, according to the Boston Globe, ”Blessed with a bounty of staples from sea and farm, a vibrant multi-ethnic canvas to spice things up, and a population that has supported the locavore movement from its early stages, Vancouver has become one of North America’s top dining locales.”

Next Steps:
Developing a Roster and Broadening the Scope of SSG Deployments

International Influences

The official languages of Canada are English and French, but in Vancouver you’re more likely to hear English mixed with Cantonese, Mandarin, Punjabi, Tagalog and Korean - just a few of the 70-plus languages spoken here. This blend of international cultures is why Vancouver is acclaimed as such a welcoming and colorful destination, boasting an unprecedented range of culinary adventures, cultural attractions and shopping experiences.

The Westin Bayshore, Vancouver

The Westin Bayshore Hotel will serve as the SfAA 76th Annual Meeting Site.

Go to our website for a link to the Online Reservations
Or by calling the Westin Bayshore Reservations at 1-888-627-8634

There are different categories of rooms and the range is $140-170 Canadian dollars (or U.S. $113-137).

All rates are subject to availability. Hotels will sell out quickly and we recommend booking your hotel reservation today. Cut-off date to reserve your hotel at the discounted meeting rate is February 11, 2016.

Tripadvisor rating: 4 of 5

Restaurants in Hotel

Currents
6:30am - 11:30am
Features a robust breakfast buffet, well-balanced a la carte, and menu items that are focused on being healthful as well as local.

Seawall Bar & Grill
M-Sat: 11:30am-12:00am
Sun: 11:30am - 11:00pm
See website for more information

Starbucks
6:00am - 4:00pm

Overnight Parking
Self Parking: $36 (CND-including taxes)
Valet Parking: $41 (CND-including taxes)

Airport
They are located 9.2 miles or 14.8 km from Vancouver International Airport.

Taxi: $30-40 (CND)

Vida Spa at the Westin Bayshore Vancouver Hotel
Escape to Vida Spa Vancouver and make your hotel stay with us an inspiring one.

At 5,000 square feet, the atmosphere at the Vida Spa in our Vancouver hotel is sensual yet refined, elegant yet nurturing - a true energizing retreat from the stresses of daily life, designed to physically embody the principles of wellness and balance.

Vida Spas blend the ancient Indian science of Ayurveda with the best in Western healing philosophies, yielding unique spa experiences that engage the senses while nurturing body and mind. In addition to offering superior traditional therapies, the spa at our Vancouver hotel has areas designed specifically for couples massage, Ayurvedic cleansing and infrared sauna treatments.

The Setting

The 2016 Annual Meeting will be held at the Westin Bayshore in the Coal Harbour area of Vancouver. Much of Coal Harbour consists of seawall pathways great for those morning runners or for just enjoying a relaxing walk. From the hotel you can enjoy views of the coastline, distant mountains, floatplanes taking off, or boats bobbing on the water while harbor seals poke their heads up to greet passersby. The hotel overlooks Vancouver Bay to the northeast and the beautiful Stanley Park to the north and northwest; meanwhile the Vancouver City Center rests 1.5 km to the southeast of the hotel.
Despite being in the center of the third largest Canadian city, the hotel is surrounded by small and large green spaces. A 9-minute walk (to the east of the hotel will take you to the center of Harbour Green Park, which provides some of the best views of the Vancouver Bay. Meanwhile, a 7-minute walk to the west will take you to Devonian Harbour Park, which serves as the entryway to the famous Stanley Park.

Bordering Coal Harbour is the 1,000-acre Stanley Park. This is one of Vancouver’s main tourist destinations. With Features such as numerous lovely beaches, ever-blooming gardens, well maintained paved and dirt trails to heritage destinations including First Nations artwork, and Canada’s largest aquarium it’s not hard to see why.

Stanley Park holds 1,001 acres of forest and green space. The park was named as the #1 Park in the world according to Trip Advisor in 2014. Stanley Park is quite unique as an urban green space in that its existence and further development was not as much of a manifestation of intensive human intervention, but rather as a process of ecological evolution. The forest began to be actively protected against urban development in the latter half of the 19th century. However, there are exceptional examples such as the sixty-three year construction of the seawall. Clearly the seawall is one of the most defining features of the park. The seawall serves a variety of purposes including preventing erosion and providing a 22km pedestrian walking and biking path, which circles the entire park.

**Vancouver Aquarium**

The Vancouver Aquarium is Canada’s largest aquarium and one of the most visited sites in Stanley Park. It is home to more than 70,000 creatures including dolphins, sea otters, anacondas, three-toed sloths, eels and more.

Visitors can learn more about the region’s marine life through the numerous exhibits. Adults and kids alike will love the entertaining and educational “encounters” program, which allows visitors to go behind the scenes and get up close and personal with the animals and the people who train them. This includes feeding, helping train and learning about the habitats and lifestyles of dolphins, beluga whales, sea lions, sea otters, sea turtles and other sea creatures.

**First Nations Artwork**

One of Stanley Park’s most fascinating attractions (and one of the most-visited tourist attractions in British Columbia) is the renowned totem-pole display at Brockton Point. Begun in the early 1920s with just four totems from Vancouver Island’s Alert Bay region, the display grew over the decades to include totems from the Queen Charlotte Islands and Rivers Inlet (on British Columbia’s central coast). Some of the original totem poles were carved as early as the late 1880s and have been sent to museums for preservation; others were commissioned or loaned to the park between 1986 and 1992.

Nearby is another example of fabulous First Nation art in the form of the Coast Salish Gateways. Three carved gateways serve as the Brockton Point Visitor Centre entry and were created by Susan Point, a Coast Salish artist, and installed in June 2008. They are fashioned after traditional Coast Salish architecture style.

Late March and April is a wonderful time to be in Vancouver. This is Cherry blossom season. With 40,000 cherry trees bursting with pink and white blooms. Vancouver’s many parks and gardens are ideal showcases for the beloved trees, but there are also a number of urban places to view these pink beauties.
RECOMMENDED VANCOURVER RESTAURANTS

This guide has been prepared specifically for participants in the 2016 annual meetings of the Society for Applied Anthropology. It includes recommendations provided by colleagues living in the Vancouver area. Most of the dining places are within walking distance of the Westin Bayshore. For those who are working late preparing their presentations more than 100 restaurants that deliver to the Bayshore can be found at orderit.ca. Just type in the postal code V6G 2V4 when you get there.

RESTAURANTS LOCATED AT THE WESTIN BAYSHORE

Currents.
Breakfast only. 6:30 am to 11:30 am daily
(note: this restaurant might also be serving lunch and dinner by the time of the meetings)

Seawall Bar and Grill.
Lunch and Dinner

RESTAURANTS CLOSE TO THE WESTIN BAYSHORE (within a couple of blocks).

With the exception of the White Spot, all of these restaurants can be reached from the Coal Harbor seawall walk at the north side of the hotel.

Café Villaggio
1602 Bayshore Drive.
(Near the marina about one block south of the hotel)
Coffee and tea bistro recommended as a good place for breakfast and lunch. Sandwiches, wraps and pastries.

Cardero’s
1583 Coal Harbor Quay.
(On the water, one block east of the hotel)
Northwest cooking with emphasis on “certified Ocean Wise “seafood. Steaks, hamburgers and pizza available. Open 11:30 am to midnight 7 days a week. Reservations (604) 669-7666.

The Lift
333 Menchion Mews.
(On the water, about ½ a block west of the hotel)
Indoor and outdoor seating with great views of the harbor. West coast flavors emphasizing seafood along with maki and sushi. Weekend brunch 11 am-3 pm weekends. Lunch at 11:30 Monday through Friday. Dinner at 5:00 pm daily. Happy hour at bar 3:00 to 6:00 with extensive snacking menu. Reservations (604) 689-5438.

White Spot
1616 W. Georgia Street.
(About 2 blocks south of the hotel)
Popular chain restaurant. Breakfast, lunch and dinner open 6:30 am to 11:00 pm. Burgers, salads and a variety of full menus. Kids menu. Take out available.
WEST END RESTAURANTS (WALKING DISTANCE).

The Westin Bayshore is situated alongside Vancouver’s West End neighborhood and the two major streets for dining are Robson Street and Denman Street, both south of the hotel. Robson Street can be found by walking a few blocks south from the hotel on Cordera Street. Walk right (west) two more blocks on Robson to find Denman Street. There is an awesome variety of eating places on these two streets, varied both in cost and as a reflection of the city’s ethnic diversity. The recommendations below are a mere sampling. Distance provided are from the front entrance of the Westin Bayshore.

The Change Dining and Bar
550 Denman Street. (.14 miles from hotel)
High end Chinese fusion restaurant located on the edge of Stanley Park and overlooking Coal Harbor. Expensive. Lunch 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Dinner 5:00 pm to 9:00 or 10:00 pm. Reservations (604) 728-9086.

Legendary Noodle
1074 Denman Street. (.64 miles from hotel)
“Noodles made on site.” Highly rated Chinese noodle shop. Patrons can watch noodles being handmade on the premises. Inexpensive.

Ukrainian Village
815 Denman Street. (.37 miles from hotel)
Schnitzel, stroganoff, cabbage rolls, perogies, and borsch. Ukrainian and Czech beer. Vegetarian friendly. 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm except Mondays. Moderately priced. Reservations (604) 687-7440.

Rio Brazilian Steakhouse
689 Denman Street.
All you can eat fixed price Brazilian restaurant served “rodizo” style, with waiters bringing samples of food by patrons’ tables. BBQ meats, salad bar and hot buffet food. Lunch 11:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Dinner 5:30 pm to 10:00 pm.

Motomochi Shokudo Ramen
740 Denman Street.
Japanese ramen noodles. If all the people standing in line on the sidewalk are any indication, this is a good noodle shop. One of several in neighborhood. Open Thursday to Tuesday 12:00 pm to 11:00 pm.

Kingyo
871 Denman Street.
Japanese izakaya (tapas) and sushi restaurant. Seafood and meat dishes, salads, sushi and sashimi. Lunch 11:30 am to 3:00 pm. Dinner 5:30 pm to 11:30 (later on weekends). Reservations (604)608-1677.

Hapa Izakaya
1479 Denman Street.
Award winning Japanese tapas restaurant. “Hapa continues to offer a winning combination of Japanese cuisine, fun, and culture, paired with local seasonal and Ocean Wise ingredients.” 5:30 pm to 12 am. Reservations taken online.

Espirita Restaurant
1118 Denman (.68 miles from hotel)

Simbas Grill
825 Denman Street (.46 miles from hotel)
Spicy East African fusion restaurant. Biryani, BBQ meats and vegetarian dishes. Take out. Limited seating. Tuesday-Thursday 4:00 pm to 10:30 pm. Friday-Sunday 1:00 pm to 10:30 pm. Reservations (604) 974-0649.

Banana Leaf
1779 Robson Street (.44 miles from hotel)
Award winning Malaysian cuisine. Variety of seafood, meat and vegetarian dishes moderately priced. 11:30 am to 10:00 pm 7 days a week. Reasonable prix fixe menu for groups of 6 or more. Happy hour menu 3-6 pm and after 9 pm. Reservations (604) 569-3363.
Lanna Thai
775 Denman Street (.39 miles from hotel)
Small restaurant featuring northern Thai cuisine. Open
daily 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Inexpensive. (604) 688-
1009.

Ciao Bella Ristorante and Piano Bar
703 Denman Street (.29 miles from hotel)
Award winning Italian restaurant with pasta, seafood and
meat dishes. Sixteen “authentic Italian sauces for five
varieties of pasta. Vegetarian friendly and moderately
priced. Lunch 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Dinner 4:30 pm to
10:30 pm. (604) 688-5771.

Nook
781 Denman Street (.33 miles from hotel)
Moderate price Italian menu focused on pasta, pizza,
and salads. No reservations.

Sura Korean Cuisine
1518 Robson Street (.27 miles from hotel)
Award winning stylish Korean restaurant. Barbeque and
other Korean dishes, soups, and stews. Reasonably
priced. Lunch 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Dinner 5:00 pm to
11:00 pm. Reservations (604) 687-7872.

Hon’s Wun-Tun House
1339 Robson Street (.42 miles from hotel)
Standard Chinese fare with dim sum menu. Vegetarian
meals prepared in separate kitchen. Inexpensive. Take
out menu.

C-Lovers Fish & Chips
1061 Denman Street (.63 miles from hotel)
Chain fish & chips restaurant.  11:00 am to 8 pm.
Inexpensive. Takeout available.

De Dutch Pannekoek House
1725 Robson Street (.35 miles from hotel)
Just what it says. Serving breakfast and lunch. 8:00 am
to 3:00 pm.

Rebellious Tomato Gourmet Pizza
721 Denman Street (.30 miles from the hotel)
“You’ll never see pizza the same way again.” Meat
pizzas and 10 varieties of vegetarian pizza. Inexpensive.
1:00 pm to 9:30 pm (10:30 on Friday and Saturday).
(604) 707 4992 for delivery.

La Casita Tacos.
1773 Robson Street. (.39 miles from the hotel)
Good variety of taco fillings to order by the taco or in
combo. Extensive free salsa and condiment bar.
Inexpensive. Margaritas and Mexican beer. 11:00 am to
11 pm.

Stepho’s Souvlaki Greek Taverna
1359 Robson Street. (.30 miles from hotel)
Affordable traditional Greek food served in large
“graduate student size” portions. 11:00 am to 11:00 pm.

There are two nearby grocery stores providing prepared and fresh foods. Both are on Robson Street and a few
blocks from the hotel. They are Whole Foods (1675 Robson Street) and Safeway (1766 Robson Street).
Where Can I Go for a Walk (or a Jog, or a Bike Ride) That is Near the Meetings Hotel?

by Erve Chambers (Annual Meeting Coordinator)

You’re in luck here. The Westin Bayshore is ideally located alongside Vancouver’s seawall walkway. You can walk westward to and through Stanley Park or eastward to downtown Vancouver without being pestered by a crosswalk or by automobile traffic. Bicycles and roller blades are also easily available for rent. Heading south from the Bayshore you will need to cross a few streets but that will take you into the city’s West End neighborhood and to a fascinating variety of mostly casual eating and drinking places.

Downtown, Gastown & Chinatown

We can start in the direction of downtown. If you leave the Bayshore by its main entrance all you have to do is turn to the left (heading east) and you will find the walkway. It is wide and provides easy strolling with plenty of green space. Keep in mind though that there are two lanes in both directions—one for people on bikes and the other for people on foot. Ignore the distinction at your own risk. The seawall is touted as “the world’s longest uninterrupted waterfront walkway” and is 22 kilometers from one end to the other. Its construction began in 1917.

When you find the walkway you can turn to your right if you want to go downtown. It is about 1 ½ kms from the hotel to Canada Place and the beginning of downtown. As you walk, Coal Harbor and its marinas are on your left and on your right is a glass and steel forest of high rise condominiums and office buildings. You are likely to see sea planes
Canada Place serves as a cruise ship terminal and adjoins the city’s convention center. You can’t miss it. It is topped with five imposing sail-like structures. It is also the end of the seawall walkway in this direction. Across the street (Canada Place Way) is a visitor’s information centre. Vancouver’s downtown is just south of Canada Place. Among the sites are the Vancouver Art Gallery (750 Hornby Street) and the Bill Reid Gallery of Northwest Coast Art (639 Hornby Street).

A couple of blocks east of Canada Place you will find Gastown (start on West Cordova Street and transition to Water Street). Gastown is the site of the founding of Vancouver in the mid-19th century and is now a major redevelopment and tourist destination with souvenir shops, Cuban cigars and medical marijuana, plenty of interesting eating places, some nightclubs, and some of the oldest remaining structures in the city. Enough with the Teddy bears dressed as mounties, though there are some interesting shops, including Hill’s Native Arts, and several trendy boutiques.

If you are in the mood to keep walking, Vancouver’s Chinatown is another kilometer or so from the far (east) reach of Gastown. That Chinatown seems a little frayed at the edges only adds to a sense of authenticity that much of Gastown now lacks. Sun Yat-Sen hung out here before he went on to found the first Chinese Republic and there is a notable garden named for him—my guidebook says it is the only full-scale classical Chinese garden in the Western hemisphere.

A Stanley Park Stroll

Back at the Westin Bayshore, say you decide to turn left rather than right when you reach the seawall walkway. You will be headed west and facing Vancouver’s Stanley Park, just a couple of blocks ahead. At 400 hectares (1,000 acres), it is about 20% larger than New York’s Central Park. It was once home to Musqueam and other coast Salish communities. This is an opportunity to visit a temperate rain forest that stands just a short stroll from the hotel. The Seawall walkway follows the entire shoreline of Stanley Park but at 9 kms (5.5 miles) that might be a better bike ride than walk.

There are several places near the Bayshore to rent bicycles or roller blades. They include Spokes (1798 West Georgia Street), Bayshore Rentals (745 Denman Street) and Seawall Adventure Centre (located on the Seawall walkway headed toward downtown). There are also a couple of good but shorter walks on this side of Stanley Park. One is a route that circles the park’s Lost Lagoon for about 1 ¼ kms. At the south end of the lagoon you will pass by the Ted and Mary Greig Rhododendron Garden. We will be meeting in Vancouver at a time when the rhododendrons should be in full bloom.

Another Stanley Park walk encircles Broughton Point, which is a little piece of peninsula direct across the harbor from the Bayshore. At around 3 ¼ kms this walk is a bit longer. It will take you along the seawall walkway (where you can wave to all those attending sessions at the Bayshore) and to a totem pole display next to the Brockton Visitor Centre, which provides information about the area’s First Nations people. On the way back along this loop you will pass by the Vancouver Aquarium (845 Avison Way).

There is no telling where you might end up should I try to provide more specific information about how to find and follow these walks. Vancouver’s Parks and Recreation publishes a free map to Stanley Park that should be available at the Bayshore. You will see as well that there are many other places to walk, including trails that will take into the much less visited and more densely forested areas of the park.

Larger than Central Park, by all accounts Stanley Park is also considered to be much safer in all its parts.

Robson Street, Denman Street, and English Bay

If you head south from the main entrance of the Westin Bayshore you will find yourself within a few blocks of a couple of very interesting streets. Try Cardero Street (to your left with the hotel behind you) to get to Robson Street, or look for the start of Denman Street (to your right).

Robson Street runs from Stanley Park to Vancouver’s downtown. It is where you can pick up some groceries and spirits (Whole Foods, Safeway, and B.C. Liquors are just a block or two on your right from the intersection of Cardero and Robson). It is also a fascinating street to walk if you head east (turn left when you reach the intersection). For the first part of your walk you will find a formidable variety of eateries, many catering to visiting international students. There are also a number of low cost hotels, including the Robsonstrasse, which is perhaps the last clue that this part of town was once widely settled by German immigrants.

Today the shops and food tend heavily toward Asian and particularly Japanese and Korean. My favorites by far are the izakaya (Japanese tapas) bars, but there is something for about everyone on Robson Street. Take a look at the restaurant guide prepared for SfAA meetings participants which can be found on the Society’s webpage and will also be available at the meetings.

As you continue east on Robson the food starts to get a little more expensive and the shops a bit more exclusive. Now you are nearing downtown where Robson Street earns its reputation as a higher end shopping district. Just beyond Burrard Street you will find the Vancouver Art Gallery and Robson Square with plenty of outdoor open space and a variety of food trucks (very good fish & chips). A good place to sit and watch people. To get here, you will have walked about 2 kms from the hotel.
and you will arrive at English Bay Beach after having ventured only about one kilometer from the Bayshore.

The view from English Bay Beach may be one of the finest in the city. The beach itself is a popular place for summer sunbathers although it will certainly be less crowded in late March. There are a number of restaurants and bars with seating to accommodate watching the sunset, which seems to be a popular pastime.

Here you can connect again with the seawall walkway and if you turn right (west) on the walkway you will be back in Stanley Park in a matter of minutes, this time on its south shore. There is an information station just past the park’s entrance. This is another way to visit the rhododendron gardens, which begin just around the corner and north of the information station. Continuing up the seawall walkway you will find two other beaches, imaginatively named Second Beach and Third Beach.

If you turn left (east) on the seawall walkway at English Bay Beach and if you have the energy for another walk you will find another beach (Sunset Beach) and eventually a transfer point for a False Creek ferry to Granville Island, a popular tourist spot that is about 1 ½ kms from where Denman Street meets English Bay.

Another option would be to turn left (east) at the intersection of Denman Street and Davie Street. The walk up Davie Street will take you by still more cafes and night spots and into the heart of Vancouver’s well celebrated “gay village” and LGBTQ community.

More to See and Do

I have tried to limit these suggestions to areas that are fairly easy walking distance from the Westin Bayshore. There are of course many other interesting and worthwhile places to visit in and around Vancouver. Particularly recommended:

Granville Island is a former industrial site that has been transformed into a village of artist studios and galleries, restaurants (Tony’s Fish & Oyster Café has great fish & chips), tasteful shops, theatres, maritime ventures, and community spaces. It is most interestingly reached by one of the little ferries that ply the waters of False Creek.

Tourism and Heritage Cluster

by Melissa Stevens (melissa.stevens7@gmail.com)

Call for Organized Tourism and Heritage Sessions

The Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) welcomes proposals for organized paper sessions, roundtables, workshops, and panel discussions on topics related to tourism and heritage for the SfAA Annual Meetings to be held March 29-April 2, 2016 in Vancouver, BC. The program will be organized into thematic clusters, and we are currently seeking proposals for sessions to include in the “Tourism and Heritage” cluster. Session topics should relate to tourism and/or heritage, broadly defined (e.g., heritage preservation, ecotourism, archaeology and tourism, cultural resource management). Topics of special interest to the residents of Vancouver and British Columbia, particularly members of First Nations, are especially encouraged, as are sessions directly related to the Meetings’ theme of “Intersections.”

Proposals for sessions should be submitted to the Tourism and Heritage Cluster organizer Melissa Stevens (melissa.stevens7@gmail.com) by SEPTEMBER 15th. Proposals should describe the session theme/topic and general structure (paper session, roundtable, etc). Once proposals are submitted, session organizers are responsible for writing the session abstract, finding session participants, and ensuring that all participants register and submit abstracts by the October 15th deadline. Dr. Stevens can assist organizers in developing their sessions and finding participants, and she will ensure that the session is included in all Tourism and Heritage Cluster promotion for the Meetings. The final deadline for the submission of session abstracts and individual paper abstracts is OCTOBER 15th. More information on the Meetings, as well as instructions for registration and the submission of abstracts can be found on the SfAA website (http://www.sfaa.net).

Call for Abstracts: The SfAA Tourism and Heritage Student Paper Competition

Student papers should entail original research on the themes of “tourism” and/or “heritage” broadly defined, including topics such as heritage, archaeology and tourism, ecotourism, and cultural resource management. Top papers will be selected for inclusion in an organized paper session at the 2016 Society for Applied Anthropology (SfAA) Annual Meetings in Vancouver, British Columbia, and an award of $500 will be presented to the best paper in the session. Winning papers will also be considered for publication in the journal Practicing Anthropology. Eligible students must be enrolled in a graduate or undergraduate degree program at the time they submit their paper. Submissions must be original work of publishable quality. The work may be undertaken alone or in collaboration with others, but for papers with one or more co-authors, an enrolled student must be the paper’s first author.

The competition involves a two-step process. Step one involves the solicitation and selection of expanded paper abstracts (of 500 words or less; saved as a Word document) for the organized session. Abstracts must be submitted by SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 to the SfAA Office (info@sfaa.net). Students selected for participation in the session will then submit full papers for judging by the December 15, 2015 deadline. The winning paper will receive a cash award of $500 and will be honored at the 2016 SfAA Meetings in Vancouver. Email the SfAA Office (info@sfaa.net) or Melissa Stevens (melissa.stevens7@gmail.com) for more info.

Call for Abstracts: The Valene Smith Tourism Poster Competition

This is a special competition for the best posters on the theme of “tourism,” broadly defined, including topics such as heritage, archaeology and tourism, ecotourism, and cultural resource management, during the annual meeting. Posters are an excellent
Society for Applied Anthropology

Seeking Nominations for the 2016 Pelto International Travel Award

Nominations for the Pelto International Travel Award are due to the SfAA on September 30. The purpose of the award is to provide a travel scholarship for an international scholar/practitioner to visit the US and interact with like-minded social scientists, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology. It is anticipated that an award of $1200 will be made for the recipient to attend the upcoming meetings in Vancouver.

Criteria that will be used to select a recipient include:

- Has a masters degree or higher in a social science field of study
- Is in or affiliated with an educational institution, governmental agency, or community based organization in the home country
- Demonstrates innovative application of social science theory and methods to address social problems
- Works with grassroots programs, organizations or other entities that address social inequities, to build community capacity to understand and address these issues.
- Demonstrates involvement in capacity building for applied social science in their country.

The nominating materials must include:

A letter of nomination made by any SfAA member.
A supporting letter from a SfAA member or from an applied social scientist in the nominee’s home country
An application from the nomination which includes:

- Name of Nominee
- Address, telephone number(s), e-mail address of Nominee:
- Name and address of nominee’s institution
- Statement from the nominee about how this opportunity will advance the application of social science in his or her home country
- An abstract of the talk the nominee proposes to deliver at the annual meeting of the SfAA.
- Nominee’s resume or Curriculum Vitae.

Please send all nominating materials to:

SfAA
P.O. Box 2436
Oklahoma City, OK 73101-2436
info@sfaa.net

SfAA News: Call for Editor

The Board invites statements from individuals who are interested in the position of Program Chair. This statement should include a description of prior experience with program planning, evidence of experience/ability to manage and coordinate the activities of colleagues and some indication of the extent and type of institutional support that would be available. The deadline for receipt of this statement in the SfAA Office is January 30, 2016. Please direct any questions to the SfAA Office at:

P.O. Box 2436
Oklahoma City, OK 73101
(405) 643-5113
info@sfaa.net

Interested individuals may wish to talk to prior Program Chairs. The following individuals have directed recent annual meetings:

Prof. Erve Chambers, 2014, Albuquerque, “Destinations”
Prof. Orit Tamir, 2015, Pittsburgh, PA, “Continuity and Change”

You may obtain from the SfAA Office the telephone or e-mail address for these individuals.

Please contact the SfAA Office if you are interested and/or plan to apply for the position of Program Chair.
2. A copy of the candidate’s curriculum vitae/resume.

Interested candidates are invited to include suggestions for ways that the publication might enhance the mission to broadcast widely news about SfAA members and new developments in the application of the applied social sciences.

Applications will be reviewed upon receipt. The tentative deadline for applications is February 1, 2016. Applications should be sent to the SfAA Office...

Attn: Publications Committee
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Call for Nominations Sol Tax Distinguished Service Award

Sol Tax provided distinguished service to the field of applied anthropology. The Sol Tax Distinguished Service Award, initiated by the Society for Applied Anthropology in his honor, is to be presented annually to a member of SfAA, in recognition of long-term and truly distinguished service to the Society.

Nominees should be those who have made long-term and exceptional contributions in one or more of the following areas:

1) leadership in organizational structure, activities and policy development;
2) central roles in communication with other disciplines or sub-disciplines;
3) editing and publishing;
4) development of curricula in applied anthropology;
5) formulation of ethical standards of practice; and
6) other innovation activities which promote the goals of the Society and the field of applied anthropology.

Each nomination should include:

• a detailed letter of nomination outlining the distinguished service accomplishments of the candidate
• a curriculum vita
• other pertinent supporting materials.

Nominations are valid for three years from the date of submission. The deadline for receipt of all materials is October 1, 2015. Supporting documents will not be returned unless specifically requested. Please email nominations to:

Society for Applied Anthropology
Attn: Chair, Sol Tax Award Committee
Email: info@sfaa.net
Telephone: 405/843-5113
Fax: 405/843-8553

The Award winner will be announced at the 2016 SfAA Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC, and will be invited to offer brief reflections about his/her career.

Please visit the SfAA website at www.sfaa.net to obtain additional information on the Award and prior recipients

Peter Kong-Ming New Student Research Award Competition

The Society sponsors an annual student research paper competition in the name of a former President, Peter K. New. The Competition is open to any person who was registered as a student at the graduate or undergraduate level in a college or university during the calendar year, 2015. An eligible student is one who does not have a previously earned doctoral degree.

An eligible manuscript should report on research that in large measure has not been previously published. The Competition will be limited to manuscripts that have a single author; multiple-authored papers will not be eligible. The paper should be double-spaced and must be less than 45 pages in length. Electronic submissions are preferable.

The first place winner of the Competition will receive a cash prize of $3,000 as well as $350 to partially offset the cost of transportation and lodging at the annual meeting of the Society. In addition, the winner receives an engraved Baccarat crystal trophy. Cash prizes of $1,500 to second place and $500 to third place will also be given as well as a $350 travel stipend.

The research and the manuscript should use the social/behavioral sciences to address in an applied fashion an issue or question in the domain (broadly construed) of health care or human services. All submissions must be received in the Office of the Society by December 31, 2015. The winners will be recognized and the papers presented at the annual meeting of the Society in Vancouver BC, Canada.