



UBC Program on Dispute Resolution presents
**“Creative Approaches to Dispute Resolution”
Speaker Series 2011-12**

**Location: Allard Hall Forum, 1822 East Mall
4:30-6:00pm**

Nov 3rd: Michael Fogel, The Justice Institute



“A Conversation on Conflict: Considering the Possibilities and Challenging Our Beliefs.”

Michael Fogel is a Chartered Mediator and mediation/conflict resolution educator and former municipal and superior court judge. In his 25 years in mediation and law, Fogel has worked with community groups and leaders, law firms, federally appointed judges in Canada, the U.S., New Zealand and other countries, as well as health care professionals, public and private sector management groups, union groups, and aboriginal leaders and organizations. He has been involved in the Justice Institute of British Columbia's conflict resolution certificate program since its inception and designs and presents post-graduate university programs in interest-based mediation and negotiation and mediation workshops for practitioners. Beginning in 1999, he began working with mediators and negotiators in the Middle East presenting advanced mediation and negotiation programs to Arab and Jewish Israelis and Palestinians who remain committed to a lasting peace in that region.

January 12th: David Gustafson, Fraser Region Community Justice Initiative Association



“Shattered Lives, Hope of Healing: Facilitating Dialogue in Crimes of Severe Violence.”

Dave Gustafson is Co-Director of Fraser Region Community Justice Initiatives Association (CJI) in Langley, B.C. CJI specializes in training, program development, and facilitating victim-offender dialogue across the spectrum from relatively minor incidents in schools to the most serious criminal offences in the Canadian criminal code. The agency's pioneering Victim Offender Mediation Program has become the model for Canada and is now available to prisoners and victims coast-to-coast. He is Adjunct Professor in the School of Criminology at Simon Fraser University where he has taught on peace and justice-making theory, restorative justice models and practices. Gustafson also maintains a small psychotherapeutic private practice specializing in trauma recovery. An avowed life-long student, he is working on his doctoral dissertation (KUL, Leuven, Belgium) on the clinical implications of facilitated therapeutic encounter between trauma survivors and those responsible for the harms.

February 16th: Paulette Regan, Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada



“Unsettling the Settler Within: Why History and Pedagogy are at the Heart of Reconciliation in Canada”

Paulette Regan, PhD (Indigenous Governance, University of Victoria) is currently Senior Researcher, Historical Memory and Reconciliation Project, for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, and a Research Fellow at the Liu Institute for Global Issues at the University of British Columbia. Her most recent publication, *Unsettling the Settler Within: Indian Residential Schools, Truth-telling and Reconciliation in Canada* (Vancouver: UBC Press, 2010) explores the pedagogical potential of truth and reconciliation processes as “unsettling,” decolonizing, transformative, and liberatory sites of truth, resistance and critical hope. She argues that in order to truly participate in the transformative possibilities of reconciliation, non-Indigenous Canadians must undergo their own process of decolonization. Situated within a global context of reparations, apology and reconciliation politics, and based on her experiences as a former IRS claims resolution manager, the book is a call to action for all Canadians.

Photo: Liu Institute for Global Studies

March 8th: Ken Fox, Dispute Resolution Institute, Hamline University School of Law



“A Relational Approach to Cross-Cultural Conflict: A Decade of Work in the Middle East”

Internationally-renowned conflict scholar Ken Fox is a Professor and University Director of Conflict Studies at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota, and a Senior Fellow of the Dispute Resolution Institute at Hamline University School of Law. Fox has a particular interest in the intersection between the way we understand human behavior and interaction in conflict and the way we respond to conflict. His publications focus on conflict theory, negotiation, mediation and restorative justice. Fox has taught, trained and consulted throughout the United States, in Central and Western Europe and in the Middle East. He has worked with private companies, regulated industries, non-profit organizations (NGOs), federal, state and local government agencies, courts, schools, and universities. Since 2001, Fox has been an active participant in a series of on-going U.S. State Department-funded civil society and conflict transformation project initiatives with Israeli, Palestinian, Jordanian and Lebanese educators and civic leaders.

March 22nd: Cynthia Cohen, Director of the Program in Peacebuilding and the Arts, Brandeis



“Acting Together: Performance and the Creative Transformation of Conflict”: Lecture and Film Screening of *Acting Together on the World Stage*.

Cynthia Cohen is the Director of the Program in Peacebuilding and the Arts at Brandeis University. Formerly the executive director of the Slifka Program in Intercommunal Coexistence, director of the international fellowship program Recasting Reconciliation through Culture and the Arts, and founding director of the Oral History Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Cynthia has facilitated coexistence efforts involving participants from the Middle East, the United States, Central America, and Sri Lanka. Her recent and current research concerns the ethical and aesthetic dimensions of reconciliation. She is the author of "Working with Integrity: A Guidebook for Peacebuilders Asking Ethical Questions," and this fall marks the launch of her most recent publication, *Acting Together: Performance and the Creative Transformation of Conflict*, a two-volume work that describes peacebuilding performances in regions beset by violence and internal conflicts.