

Second annual "Call for Projects" deadline: 22 September 2008

Can we help?

Historical geography and environmental history researchers applying for SSHRC Standard Grants this fall – or, indeed, any research grants – should consider how NiCHE might be able to help.

NiCHE cannot fund research, but we can support the mobilization and dissemination of that research. So, for example, if your research output is heavy on photos or maps, we can host a website augmenting your published print material. If your research involves tracking down and interviewing people, we can host an online forum for visitors to contribute information. (NiCHE offers such support to all environmental history researchers, whether applying for grants or not, by the way.)

Such assistance can be given a cash value and listed as in-kind support in your application's "Funds from Other Sources," perhaps with an explanation in "Budget Justification." If this is of interest, contact niche@uwo.ca.

Free copies of special issue

Matthew Evenden and Alan MacEachern, editors of the special Canadian issue of *Environmental History* (October 2007), have about 50 copies on hand, free to good homes. If you or your students would like copies, email niche@uwo.ca.

Do you want to bring environmental history researchers together – perhaps with policymakers and the public? Are you an individual researcher or research team looking to get your research findings out there?

Each fall, NiCHE holds a "Call for Projects", setting aside \$25,000 to fund new, one-time projects with needs of between \$2500-\$7500. We look to support innovative projects that mobilize or disseminate Canadian environmental history.

Examples might include a policy workshop, a public speakers series, educational resources, or a digital initiative. (A list of last year's recipients can be found at <http://niche.uwo.ca/node/186>.) Proposals that involve the matching of funds, and/or partnerships with groups beyond Canadian universities, are especially welcome.

The deadline for the next Call for Projects is 22 September 2008. Applications should be emailed as a single attachment to niche-admin@uwo.ca. Notification will be made by 13 October 2008. Successful applicants will be reimbursed for expenses on submission

of appropriate receipts; all funds are to be spent by 31 December 2009.

Note that NiCHE will also consider requests for funding support throughout the year, particularly for projects that are time-sensitive. (Proposals should be as listed above.)

Applications consist of:

- A proposal, including the project's likely outcomes, how it will contribute to networking and/or research, and whether/how it will facilitate student involvement (max. 3 pages),
- A budget, including how the NiCHE funds will be used (max. 1 page),
- A curriculum vitae of the individual applying (max. 1 page).

Important: Presently, most of NiCHE's funding comes through the SSHRC Strategic Knowledge Clusters program, which does not support research, but only the mobilization and dissemination of research. NiCHE therefore must follow this distinction in supporting projects.

Active History: History for the Future 27-28 September 2008

Active History: History for the Future is a symposium designed to bring together university-based and community-based historians interested in assessing the ways in which historians engage with communities beyond the academy.

Among the keynote speakers are specialists in environmental issues, such as Joy Parr, UWO, and Dean Jacobs, Walpole Island First Nation Heritage Centre.

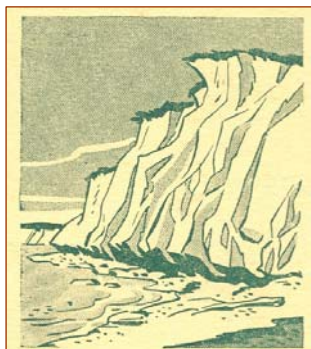
Programme information is available at activehistory.wordpress.com/

New NiCHE Team Member

NiCHE is happy to introduce a new member to our team. Adam Crymble has joined us to help administer and assist with the NiCHE website.



If you need help putting information on our site, or have suggestions for things you'd like to see there, please contact Adam at adam_crymble@hotmail.com. Adam also organizes our new quarterly newsletter: feel free to send him stories and announcements for the next issue, by mid-November.



Call for Session Proposals
and Papers:
**Society for the Study of
Architecture in Canada
(SSAC)**

Annual Conference
20-24 May 2009
Ryerson University, Toronto,
Ontario

The SSAC, a learned society devoted to the examination of the role of the built environment in Canadian society is organizing its next annual conference on the theme *From Theory into Practices: Thinking Critically about Architecture, History and Theory*.

In the past few years, the SSAC has presented a number of papers that addressed topics related to the environment, topics that are similar to issues discussed among NiCHE participants. Your participation in the next SSAC conference would give you the opportunity to bridge with a community of architects and historians of architecture.

The call for session proposals and papers will soon be posted at <http://www.canada-architecture.org/>.

For more information, contact Marie-Josée Therrien - mtherrien@faculty.ocad.ca - member of the Scientific Committee for the 2009 SSAC annual conference.

Canadian Climate History Workshop

23-24 October 2008
at the University of Western Ontario
London, Ontario

This workshop, hosted by NiCHE, will bring together historical researchers, archivists, natural scientists, and representatives of Environment Canada and other repositories to discuss issues surrounding the preservation, access, and use of historical sources relating to past climates and environments.

The workshop sessions will address such subjects as the role of historical data in paleoclimate research and the state of climate history in Canada.

Participants at the workshop will include **Brian Fagan**, noted author on the history of climate change, who will give a public talk on the afternoon of 23 October; keynote speaker **Ricardo Garcia Herrera**, director of the CLIWOC: Climatological Database of the World's Oceans; and **Morley Thomas**, the foremost writer on the history of Canadian meteorology.

We welcome researchers and graduate students from any discipline, interested in or currently working at the intersection of history and climate, to attend. *There is no registration fee, but registration is limited.*

Please note: As of 25 August, the workshop still has room for two more presenters. If your work relates to climate history and you would like to present, please contact us as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Liza Piper at epiper@ualberta.ca or Alan MacEachern at amaceach@uwo.ca.

To register, contact niche-admin@uwo.ca providing your name, affiliation, the days you plan to attend, and whether you would like assistance in finding accommodations.

History and Environment in the Atlantic Region Seeks Workshop Organizers

The History and Environment in the Atlantic Region (HEAR) group is now soliciting proposals for our next workshop.

Generally, the workshops have followed the pattern of having a panel of invited speakers followed by discussion of a relevant reading on the second day. However, potential organizers are welcome to introduce new and innovative formats (e-lectures, etc.).

Our first workshop in Halifax was a major success, and we hope to build on this momentum.

We are hoping that somebody, or a group of people, will volunteer to organize a workshop at a host university or other suitable institution in Atlantic Canada.

NiCHE has made funding available for this workshop and this money may be used to cover the travel costs of speakers, equipment/room rentals, and refreshments.

½ page proposals should be submitted by **20 September**. The workshop must be held before 31 March.

For more information please contact John Sandlos - e-mail only prior to 1 October.

Please forward to anybody who might be interested.

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Appel de Communications 5e Congrès mondial d' éducation relative à l'environnement: Montréal

Bonjour à tous, à toutes!

C'est avec grand plaisir que nous vous invitons à soumettre votre proposition de communication dans le cadre du 5e Congrès mondial d'éducation relative à l'environnement qui aura lieu au Palais des Congrès de Montréal, du 10 au 14 mai 2009.

L'événement pourrait devenir l'un des plus importants rassemblements internationaux d'éducation relative à l'environnement. La mobilisation autour de l'organisation de ce 5e Congrès mondial témoigne d'un enthousiasme remarquable!

Votre proposition de communication doit être soumise en ligne. Les instructions détaillées sont disponibles sur le site du Congrès : www.5weec.uqam.ca, à la rubrique « Appel de communications ».

La date limite de soumission est le 30 septembre 2008. Nous vous incitons toutefois à nous acheminer votre proposition le plus tôt possible.

Pour de plus amples renseignements concernant le congrès ou votre voyage à Montréal, veuillez visiter le site du congrès.

Au fil des mois à venir, celui-ci s'enrichira de nouvelles informations.

Au plaisir de vous accueillir à Montréal!

Lucie Sauvé et Bob Jickling
coprésidents

Contactez les
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the Organizers

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Call for Papers 5th World Environmental Education Congress: Montreal

Greetings everyone!

We warmly invite you to submit your abstract to the 5th World Environmental Education Congress to be held at the Palais des Congrès in Montreal from May 10 to 14, 2009.

The 5th World Congress will draw a large attendance - potentially becoming one of the field's most significant gatherings on environmental education.

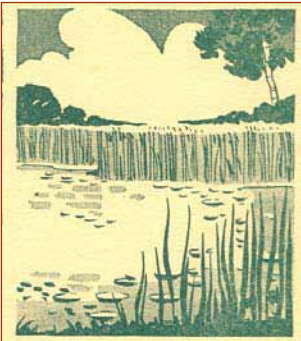
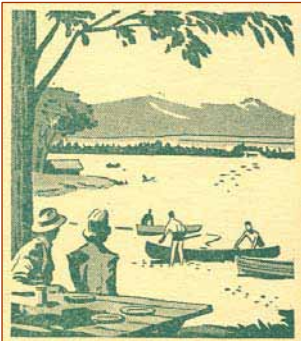
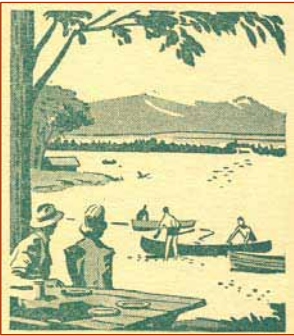
The mobilization of support behind the organization of this Congress is further evidence of the tremendous enthusiasm at play.

Your proposal must be submitted online. Detailed instructions are available at the Congress site: www.5weec.uqam.ca under "Calls for Papers."

The submission deadline is September 30, 2008. However, we encourage early submissions. For more information on the Congress or your trip to Montreal, please visit the Congress site. Further details will be added to the site in the coming months.

We look forward to seeing you in Montreal!

Bob Jickling and Lucie Sauvé
Co-Chairs



Dissertation abstract

(The newsletter welcomes abstracts from newly-completed dissertations)

Darin Kinsey, "Fashioning A Freshwater Eden: Elite Anglers, Fish Culture, And State Development Of Quebec's 'Sport' Fishery," thèse de doctorat, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, 2008.

Québec possesses such a vast assemblage of freshwater rivers, lakes, and streams filled with so many iconic game fish that many nineteenth-century British and American anglers came to view it as a pristine and even Edenic aquatic landscape.

Contrary to the anglers' perceptions, Québec's "aquatic landscape" was a collection of complex habitats filled with fish species that had evolved over millions of years; habitats that in many ways had already been integrated into the fishing traditions of Amerindians and French colonists who preceded them. Although initially a small foreign cohort, the elite anglers who came to Québec represented a significant new cultural force.

This angling elite shared an intellectual conception of nature, which caused them to infuse the landscape with new values even as they sought to control it for their own purposes.

By the second half of the nineteenth century, government policies increasingly brought anglers' ideas and activities under State regulation through laws, licenses and leases, the use of fish culture, and well-targeted promotional schemes.

Ultimately, anglers' efforts to create an exclusive paradise for their activities merged with this auxiliary intervention by the State to produce a cultural and environmental legacy that included the subordination of people, the diminution of the social importance of non-game species, and the creation of novel aquatic ecosystems through the introduction of foreign species.

This study integrates scholarship from Environmental History, Québec Studies and Aquatic Sciences to reveal and analyse the environmental and cultural changes that accompanied elite anglers' acquisition of Québec's freshwater aquatic landscape and their role in its transformation from an idyllic and largely mythical "Anglers' Eden," to a State-managed fishery for sport.

The State of Environmental History in Canada?

If Brescia University College at the University of Western Ontario is any indication, environmental history is thriving in Canada. After a recent retirement, Brescia for a time had only one historian on staff: George Warecki, who teaches offerings in Canadian(142/205E; 316E) and North American (402E) environmental history.

When Brescia hired a second historian, to start this fall, they chose Sara Morrison ... an environmental historian specializing in English forests. Congratulations, Sara!

Brescia plans to launch a new Social and Environmental History program soon.

Do you have environmental history news? Know a recent graduate? A new hire? An event?

Let us know so we can share it with the NiCHE community in our next newsletter.

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Environmental History Pays

The following table was drawn from the SSHRC Awards Search Engine. Research Grants and Fellowships awarded for 2007-2008 display the vitality of Canadian Environmental History. The table is also a compendium of current research as it lists the title of funded projects.

The table is not exhaustive – a search of « historical geography » yields a separate list, with some overlap -- and we will repeat our search when the data for 2008-2009 are available. In the meantime, we would welcome any information on current funded research projects in Canadian environmental history – especially from provincial organizations and private sources.

L'Histoire Environnementale, C'est Payant

Accordé suivant le processus d'évaluation par les pairs, le financement est à la base des travaux de recherche et de la formation des chercheurs. Il est un indicateur probant de la vitalité, ou non, d'un champ de recherche.

C'est grâce aux subventions que des chercheurs peuvent faire avancer leurs travaux et y faire participer leurs étudiants à titre d'assistant de recherche, ou encore organiser des colloques et des activités de transfert de connaissances.

Également, par les succès rencontrés dans les divers programmes de bourses (de maîtrise, de doctorat et de postdoctorat), un champ de recherche démontre sa capacité d'attirer des étudiants doués.

Pour faire un bilan de l'état de santé de l'histoire environnementale canadienne, nous avons procédé à un inventaire de la recherche financée par le

Conseil de recherche en sciences humaines du Canada en 2007-2008.

Le tableau ci-dessous présente le résultat de cet inventaire, qui se fonde sur l'interrogation d'une base de données du CRSH. En plus de signaler les succès de nos collègues, ce tableau indique l'intitulé de projets de recherche et sert alors de catalogue des travaux en cours en histoire environnementale canadienne. Cet inventaire ne prétend pas à l'exhaustivité, et nous souhaitons répéter l'exercice quand le CRSH mettra à jour sa base de données pour 2008-2009.

Entretemps, nous apprécierons recevoir toute information relative au financement de la recherche en histoire environnementale – entre autres par les organismes provinciaux ou les sources privées.

Contributed by Stéphane Castonguay

Réципиентаire	Institution	Projet	Programme	Montant
Ahronson, Kristján	Inconnu	Crosses along the western Ocean: characterising and integrating early medieval activity and environments in the Atlantic islands	BPD	24,000
Bishop, John E.	McGill University	Environmental authority on the Quebec Labrador peninsula to 1760	BESD	35,000
Bocking, Stephen A.	Trent University	The science of salmon farming and the politics of place	SOR	7,600
Bonnell, Jennifer L.	University of Toronto	Locating the Don: a social history of an Urban River	BESD	35,000
Boucher, Louise N.	University of Ottawa	Le secteur de la chute Chaudière en Outaouais : analyse géo historique d'un site patrimonial témoignant de l'industrie forestière au Canada	BESD	35,000
Cameron, Laura J.	Queen's	Canada Research Chair in Historical Geographies of Nature	CRC	75,000
Cameron, Laura J.	Queen's	Arthur George Tansley, ecologist and psychoanalyst: geographies of a life	SOR	7,500
Castonguay, Stéphane	UQTR	Chaire de recherche du Canada en histoire environnementale du Québec	CRC	100,000
Castonguay, Stéphane	UQTR	Le milieu de vie comme principe organisateur d'un atlas historique sur l'environnement du Québec	IDR	15,908
Castonguay, Stéphane	Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières	Naturalisation et territorialisation des catastrophes naturelles : la prise en charge sociale des inondations dans le bassin de la Saint-François, 1892-1977	SOR	19,000
Clapperton, Jonathan A.	University of Saskatchewan	Stewards of the earth: indigenous peoples, environmentalists and historical representation	BESD	35,000
Clarke, John	Carleton University	Origin and agriculture: aspects of Ontario settlement 1851-71	SOR	16,245
Coates, Colin M	York University	Canada Research Chair in Canadian Cultural Landscapes	CRC	100,000
Cunfer, Geoff	University of Saskatchewan	Rethinking the dust bowl	SOR	35,007
Dance, Anne T.	University of Victoria	Myth over borders: understanding Canada's response to the Columbia river basin project, 1933-1964	BESM	17,500
Desbiens, Caroline	Université Laval	Chaire de recherche du Canada sur les dynamiques des espaces humanisés	CRC	100,000
Dunaway, Finis	Trent University	Imagining environmentalism: nature and the culture of images in 1970s America	SOR	12,002

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Egan, Michael	McMaster University	Knowing and regulating mercury in the global environment since World War II	SOR	25,000
Evans, Sterling SDE	Brandon	Canada Research Chair in History	CRC	100,000
Fehr, Richard M.	York University	Reconstituting environmental history through the Nin. Da. Waab. Jig heritage centre	BESD	35,000
Fitz-Gibbon, Desmond	Inconnu	Cyborg urbanisation: infrastructure, nature and modernity in the 19th century city	BD	20,000
Fraser, Alexander J.	McMaster University	Border spills: a critical assessment of Canada-U.S. environmental management and response on the Upper Great Lakes, 1945-2000	BESM	17,500
Gibbins, Julie A.	Inconnu	Remaking nature and Nation in El Peten, Guatemala	BD	20,000
Greer, Kirsten A.	Queen's	Red coats and wild birds: military culture and ornithology across the 19th century	BESD	35,000
Hatvany, Matthew G.	Université Laval	Centuries of sustainability: plants, animals and people in the marshlands of the St. Lawrence Estuary	SOR	21,857
Howard, Scott A.	U of T	Ethics, evolution, and environmental thought	BESD	35,000
Kerber, Jenny L.M.	Inconnu	Divided natures: environmental literatures of the Prairie-Plains borderlands	BPD	42,932
Kobayashi, Audrey L.	Queen's University	Rethinking the Great White North: Race, Nature and the Historical Geographies of Whiteness in Canada	AACR	21,984
Labrecque, Annie-Claude	Université de Montréal	L'impact de l'urbanisation sur l'environnement : le cas de la rivière Saint-Charles à Québec au XIXe siècle	BESM	17,500
Loo, Tina	UBC	Canada Research Chairs in Environmental History	CRC	100,000
Loo, Tina	UBC	Three rivers: environmental change, modernity, and justice in British Columbia	SOR	16,000
MacEachern, Alan A.	UWO	NiCHE: Network in Canadian History and Environment / Nouvelle initiative canadienne en histoire de l'environnement	CRSR	299,978
Marcou-Hermon, Ella	Université Laval	Chaire de recherche du Canada en interactions société-environnement naturel dans l'Empire romain	CRC	200,000
Marsters, Roger S.	Dalhousie University	Unnatural ground: agricultural development, local management, and state formation on the Bay of Fundy marshlands	BESD	35,000
McCook, Stuart G.	University of Guelph	Pathologies of progress: a global history of coffee rust	SOR	29,976
McLaughlin, Mark J.	University of New Brunswick	Labour, technology and the environment in the New Brunswick logging industry, 1945-1982	BESD	35,000
Morrison, Sara E.	Inconnu	Ecology, economy and society: royal forests and the English revolution, 1640-60	BPD	43,000
Murton, James E.	Nipissing University	Empire grown: land, agriculture and the British colonial food system in Canada	SOR	17,000
Parr, G. Joy	UWO	Canada Research Chair in Interdisciplinary Studies: Technology, Culture and Risk	CRC	200,000
Parr, G. Joy	UWO	Lostscapes: reclaiming disrupted environments	SOR	40,008
Peyton, Jonathan W.	UBC	Landscapes at the margin: an historical geography of the Stikine Plateau, 1840-1970	BESD	35,000
Powell, Miles A.	Inconnu	Remaking the oceans: an environmental history of hybrid seascapes in Canada and the United States	BD	10,000
Rueck, Daniel M.	McGill University	Surveying Quebec: boundary-making and state power 1759-1850	BESD	35,000
Sandilands, Catriona A.H.	York University	Nature matters: materiality and the more-than-human in cultural studies of the environment	AACR	19,956
Sandilands, Catriona A.H.	York University	Canada Research Chair in Sustainability and Culture	CRC	100,000
Sandlos, John K.	Memorial	Mining and northern development: towards an historical political ecology	IDR	18,520
Schwartz, Joan M.	Queen's University	Envisioning Canada: the contribution of photographic publications to the creation of a national imaginary in mid-nineteenth-century Canada	SOR	14,072
Taylor, Joseph E.	Simon Fraser	Canada Research Chair in Environmental History	CRC	100,000
Taylor, Joseph E.	Simon Fraser	Historical and spatial analysis of the Pacific halibut fisheries	SOR	21,000
Turkel, William J.	UWO	Interactive, ambient and tangible devices for knowledge mobilization	TVST	50,000
University of New Brunswick	University of New Brunswick	The industrial city in transition: a cultural and environmental inventory of Greater Saint John	ARUC	196,859
Wagner, John R.	UBC	From abundance to scarcity: the political ecology of water use in the Okanagan Valley	SOR	28,847
Walters, Bradley B.	Mount Allison	Forests and trees in island watersheds: an event ecological history	SOR	42,820