

6th Critical Multicultural Counselling and Psychotherapy Conference, OISE, University of Toronto

DAY 1: Tuesday, June 7th, 2011 - Metissage, Mestizaje, Mixed "Race", and Beyond

<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
8:30-9:00 am <i>Library</i>	Registration (coffee and refreshments)
9:00-9:30 am <i>Library</i>	Smudging ceremony: Eileen Antone (University of Toronto) Introduction: Jean Tsai and Roy Moodley (University of Toronto) Welcome: Julia O’Sullivan, Dean, OISE (University of Toronto) Charmaine Williams, Associate Dean, Factor Inwentash Faculty of Social Work (University of Toronto)
10:00-11:00 am <i>Library</i>	Keynote presentation <i>Bonita Lawrence</i> (York University, Toronto): “To be indivisibly Indigenous: the choices of mixed-blood native people” <i>Chair: Charmaine Williams</i> (University of Toronto)
11:00-11:30 am	Break (coffee and refreshments)
11:30-12:30 pm <i>Library</i>	<i>Rosa Wu, Thelma Wheatley, & Velma Demerson:</i> “Three women’s voices in relation to mixed-race intimate relationships” <i>Chair: Martha Ocampo</i> (Across Boundaries, Toronto)
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch break & poster presentations (lunch provided) <i>Babatunde O. Adekson</i> (New York, US): “An assessment of the effects of mental health stigma on the help seeking tendencies of marginalized African Americans” <i>Arlene Arias</i> (Connecticut, US) “Leadership influence on cultural competency in mental health clinics” <i>Susan Crawford</i> (Burlington, ON): “The transracial parenting initiative: a Canadian program to support foster and adoptive families” <i>Maria Collar & Michael Gargano</i> (New York, US): “The use of folklore as a culturally sensitive intervention for the Hispanic individual” <i>Chelsea Durber</i> (Vancouver, BC): “Biracialism and face recognition: an investigation of the other race effect and other race experience”
1:30-2:30 pm <i>Library</i>	Keynote presentations <i>Mark Kenney</i> (Chestnut Hill College, USA) and <i>Kelley Kenney</i> (Kutztown University, USA): “Contemporary multiple heritage couples, individuals, and families: a generation with diverse views and varied experiences” <i>Chair: Roy Moodley</i> (University of Toronto)
2:30-3:00 pm <i>Library</i>	Break (coffee and refreshments)
3:00-4:00pm <i>Library</i>	Keynote presentations <i>Rashmi Singla</i> (Roskilde University, Denmark): “Negotiating mixedness in the Danish context of ‘homogeneity’: Intermarried couples, children of mixed parentage & psychosocial well being” <i>Kyle Killian</i> (York University, Toronto): “Homogamy outlaws? Interracial couples’ dominant and subordinate discourses in response to racism and partner differences” <i>Chair: Njoki Wane</i> (University of Toronto)

4:00-5:30 pm	Workshop 1 SK 114 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Mixed race inquiry: Investigating intersections of race, gender, and sexuality	Workshop 2 SK 100 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Balancing Act: Assessing transracial applicants from an anti-oppressive framework	Workshop 3 7-216, OISE Working with white women’s transition from a white identity to a bicultural identity	Paper Session 1 SK 218 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Mixed “race”/ multicultural identity development <i>Chair: Charmaine Williams</i>	Paper Session 2 5-230, OISE Interracial consciousness in practice <i>Chair: Sharon Meir</i>	Paper Session 3 5-260 OISE ” Interracial couples: Narratives and lived experiences <i>Chair: Roy Moodley</i>
	<p>This workshop will explore the intersections of social identities with a focus on race, gender, and sexuality particularly as it relates to those of “mixed race.”</p> <p>Participants will have an opportunity to evaluate and critique contemporary practices aimed at supporting youth through risk-reduction approaches. Through a participatory methodology, participants will develop effective strategies for practice within organizations and community.</p> <p><i>Jin-Sun Yoon & Sylvia Raju (Victoria, BC)</i></p>	<p>This workshop will introduce a 2-day pilot training program created by Blend Education & Training Inc. that can assist agencies and practitioners to develop an assessment model for prospective transracial families.</p> <p>The program, through self-reflective exercises and collaborative work, challenges participants to create an inventory for assessment through an anti-oppressive lens and develop a working script of questions and probes to guide applicant assessments.</p> <p><i>Susan Crawford (Burlington, ON)</i></p>	<p>The workshop will explore an identity model through exercises about personal meaning of identity and relationship with otherness and engage with case study material using the framework.</p> <p>Knowledge and understanding of this process has implications for professionals working with white women in interracial relationships. The workshop will offer insight into the process and suggests ways to enable the journey of self discovery with white women.</p> <p><i>Pat Ward (UK)</i></p>	<p>“Challenging taxonomies: Identity & multi-ethnic sexual minority youth”</p> <p><i>Lauren McInroy & Shelley Craig (Toronto)</i></p> <p>“No, really where are you from?”</p> <p><i>Theresa Smith & Sarah Grzincic (Toronto)</i></p> <p>“The identity development of mixed race individuals in Canada”</p> <p><i>Monica Das (Edmonton, AB)</i></p>	<p>“Aboriginal & Black mixed raced peoples in Canada: Looking at identity, culture & education”</p> <p><i>Christine Smillie-Adjarkwa (Toronto)</i></p> <p>“Personal reflection experiences: A Southeast Asian therapist with African American clients in the therapy room”</p> <p><i>Rosli Noor (Milwaukee)</i></p> <p>“Parenting children from another culture”</p> <p><i>Jason Brown (London, ON)</i></p>	<p>“A narrative inquiry into the lived experiences of Chinese-White heterosexual couples within a Canadian context”</p> <p><i>Rosa Wu (Toronto)</i></p> <p>“Narratives and lived experiences of men in interethnic/ interracial relationships - preliminary findings of a focus group”</p> <p><i>Marguerite Sookoor, Roy Moodley, Giles Pinto & William Hall</i></p>
6:00-7:00 pm <i>Auditorium</i>	Presentation of Lifetime Achievement Award to Suman Fernando <i>Introduction by: Roy Moodley</i> <i>Award presented by: Julia O’Sullivan (Dean of OISE, University of Toronto)</i>					

DAY 2: Wednesday, June 8th, 2011 – Race, Culture, & Mental Health

<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>					
8:30-9:00 am <i>Library</i>	Registration (coffee and refreshments)					
9:00-9:15 am	Introduction: Jean Tsai Welcome: Jeanne Watson (University of Toronto) and Aseefa Sarang (Executive Director, Across Boundaries)					
9:15-10:15 am <i>Library</i>	Keynote presentation <i>Suman Fernando</i> (University of Kent at Canterbury, UK): “Race and culture issues in mental health; and some thoughts on ethnic identity” <i>Chair:</i> Sharon Meir (Cornell University)					
10:15-10:45 am <i>Library</i>	Break (coffee and refreshments)					
10:45-12:30 pm	Paper Session 1 5-230, OISE Indigenous and cultural healing practices <i>Chair:</i> Eileen Antone	Paper Session 2 5-240, OISE Race, conflict, and mental illness <i>Chair:</i> Roy Moodley	Paper Session 3 5-280, OISE Counselling in multicultural settings <i>Chair:</i> Njoki Wane	Paper Session 4 SK 114 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Culture, resilience, and wellness <i>Chair:</i> William Hall	Paper Session 5 SK 100 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Immigration, stress, and mental health <i>Chair:</i> Martha Ocampo	Paper Session 6 SK 218 (Social Work building, 246 Bloor St.) Trauma, violence, and oppression <i>Chair:</i> Charmaine Williams
	“Differences and similarities between Yoruba traditional healers and Native American and Canadian medicine men” <i>Mary Olufunmilayo Adekson (St. Bonaventure, NY)</i>	“Racism in Canadian academic Psychology” <i>Zack Cernovsky (London, ON)</i>	“Intra and interpersonal intersectionality in the formation of the therapeutic ‘Third Space’: Sourcing resiliency and resistance within the self and through therapeutic relationship” <i>Meaghan Moore (Toronto)</i>	“Narratives and lived experiences of divorced African/Caribbean-Canadian women in a family: reflections, resilience and growth” <i>Renée Rawlins (Ajax, ON)</i>	“Self-perceived stress in Canadian ethnic minorities based on availability of social resources” <i>Nurun L Chowdhury (St. John’s, NL)</i>	“Migration, trauma, and pressures of the singular” <i>Michel’e Bertrand & Zahra Murad (Toronto)</i>

	<p>“Decolonization and diversity: mental wellness for Aboriginal peoples in Canada”</p> <p><i>Eileen Antone & Julie Kang (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>“Intersecting oppressions: Black-Asian conflict in educational settings”</p> <p><i>Simon Chung & Jerome Farrell (North York, ON)</i></p>	<p>“Inferiorizing Indigenous communities and intentional colonial poverty”</p> <p><i>Steven Koptie (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>Experiential/Rational Model of Religious Identity Development</p> <p><i>Suthakaran Veerasamy (Fredonia, NY)</i></p>	<p>“Bangladeshi Canadian first generation immigrant women suffering from mental stress, trauma and diseases in Toronto”</p> <p><i>Kazi Abdur Rouf (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>“Disciplinary power and the globalisation of discourse about ‘war trauma’ as (mis)applied to Rwanda”</p> <p><i>Athena Madan (Toronto)</i></p>
	<p>“Pentecostal worship: an historic overview of its relevance to the cultural framework of African/Black Americans”</p> <p><i>Sandra Dixon (Scarborough, ON)</i></p>	<p>“The evolution of illness representations: a critical examination of static conceptualizations of mental illness”</p> <p><i>Humair Yusuf (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>“The politics of meaning in counselling in a multicultural setting”</p> <p><i>Njoki Wane (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>“Facing Muslim women in counselling”</p> <p><i>Nazila Isgandarova (Vaughan, ON)</i></p>	<p>“A qualitative investigation of coping with depression in the phase of acculturation in South Asian Muslim immigrants living in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)”</p> <p><i>Saadia Akram (Toronto)</i></p>	<p>“Exploring the underlying factors of self-immolation: A new deadly phenomenon amongst Afghan women”</p> <p><i>Beheshta Jaghori (Montreal)</i></p>
	<p>“The mixing of racial and spiritual identities: a meeting on sacred ground”</p> <p><i>Mary O. Adekson, Michael John Gargano, Maria Collar & Babatunde O. Adekson (St. Bonaventure, NY)</i></p>				<p>“Kwam khem keuang: Indignation in a cross-cultural clinical context”</p> <p><i>Nathalie M.H. Dinh (Montreal)</i></p>	<p>“The aftershock of trauma case studies: Relating to mental wellness & resilience after the earthquake in Haiti”</p> <p><i>Denise Angelle (Toronto)</i></p>
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