



# UWCM

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## OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

### DINNER MEETING – *Arts & Crafts Exhibition* WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, from 5:00 pm

Arts & etc. invites you to its first art exhibition, featuring the work of artist-members of the UWCM. The exhibition, part of our October 15 monthly dinner meeting at the Atwater Club, will open at 5:00 pm and will showcase the works of 11 artists — several painters, a photographer, a sculptor, and a greeting-card designer. Participating artists include Valerie Aitken, Lauretta Alexander, Gertrud Antoine Barwick, Jean Caplan, Zoya Duba, Pamela Georges, Andrea de Gosztonyi, Mary Hazen, Zofia Laubitz, Sylvia Ruby, and Jeanette Sharma. Art works will be on sale, and a percentage of the proceeds will go to the UWCM Foundation.

This promises to be a wonderful way to spend a fall evening: meeting and chatting with the artists, sharing their passion and inspiration. So why not extend this invitation to family, friends and neighbours and encourage them to stay for the buffet supper? Come and help us make this first-time event a real success!

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, from 6:00 pm *How Shakespeare Contributed to the Creation of Modern Public Life*

Tomlinson Professor of Shakespeare Studies and Director of the Institute for the Public Life of Arts and Ideas at McGill University, Paul Yachnin works on the social creativity of the arts. He directed the Making Publics (MaPs) Project (2005-2010) and now directs the Early Modern Conversions project (2012-2018). He is past president of the Shakespeare Association of America. His published works include *Stage-Wrights and the Culture of Playgoing in Early Modern England* (with Anthony Dawson); editions of *Richard II* and *The Tempest*; and four co-edited books, including *Making Publics in Early Modern Europe*. His book-in-progress is *Making Theatrical Publics in Shakespeare's England*. His ideas about the social life of art, and those of his MaPs collaborators, were featured on CBC Radio IDEAS series, *The Origins of the Modern Public*.

### OCTOBER 15 DINNER MENU

#### BUFFET

- Roast squash soup
- Choice of meats
- Crusted salmon
- Ratatouille
- Variety of desserts
- Coffee and tea

Our dinner meetings are held at:

**Atwater Club**  
**3505 Atwater Avenue**

**Cocktails: 6:00 pm**  
**Dinner: 7:00 pm**

Member cost: **\$31.04, incl. tax**  
Non-members: **\$50.00, incl. wine**  
(by cheque payable to UWCM)

Please reserve with the Atwater Club at **514-935-2431** or [reception@clubatwater.ca](mailto:reception@clubatwater.ca) by Friday, October 10.

**Cancellations made any later than 5:00 pm on the Monday before a Wednesday meeting will result in a 50-percent charge of the cost of the meal.**

**Mention any food allergies or dietary restrictions when you make your reservation.**

**Don't forget your name tags!**



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

October is a month with a remarkable list of notable commemorative dates. It raises awareness of issues that significantly affect women. October is Women's History Month and we at the UWCM /CFUW wish to illuminate you about these important dates.

Across Canada, October 4 marks “Sister in Spirit Vigils” — a campaign that honours the countless murdered and missing aboriginal women and girls. This year, even greater awareness is needed. In Montreal, the vigil takes place at 6:00 pm with a march from Cabot Square to Phillips Square. I invite you all to attend.

On October 11, we observe The International Day of the Girl. This day showcases the work that has been done to empower girls throughout the world while highlighting how much still needs to be done.

October 18 is significant for every woman in Canada. It marks the day, more than a hundred years ago, when

the highest court in Canada ruled to include women in the legal definition of ‘Persons.’ One of the five women who spearheaded the movement was Emily Murphy. Her 1913 statement remains relevant today: “We want women leaders today as never before. Leaders who are not afraid to be called names and who are willing to go out and fight. I think women can save civilization.” This year, the government of Canada has decreed “Canadian Business Women — A Growing Economic Force” as the theme to celebrate Women's History Month (October). I believe The Famous Five would heartily approve.

I hope you celebrate these important dates in your own special way. And I wish you all a happy Thanksgiving! May you share the day with the important people in your lives who give you reason to be thankful.

*Dominique Racanelli*  
**President**

## Welcome New Members

**BARBARA KERR**  
Montreal

**FRANCES GREGORY**  
Montreal

**DONNA WILLIAMS**  
Montreal

You're our best recruitment tool! Bring a friend to a dinner meeting. She might like to join the club. Visit [www.uwcm.com](http://www.uwcm.com) for membership info and to complete a membership form. **Be a friend, bring a friend.**

## Board Meeting

- A new lease for the Coach House was signed with the Atwater Club. Renovations are expected to be completed by mid-October.
- The UWCM Facebook page is up and running. This social media presence is expected to increase our profile, as well as have a positive effect on our membership. Additional updates are also being done to our website.
- A resolution was passed to designate DESTA (Dare Every Soul to Achieve) for this year's holiday charity. Details will be in the December newsletter.



## INTEREST GROUPS

### CHIT-CHAT *en français*

**Sunday, October 5, 9:00 am**

Sylvain Gélinau Encanteur monthly auction  
7900 boul. Laframboise, St-Hyacinthe  
(Sortie 130 Nord, autoroute 20) (Exit 130-N Aut.20)  
[s.gelineau@encangelineau.com](mailto:s.gelineau@encangelineau.com)

9:00 am — meet at Pie IX metro station (west exit)  
10:00 am — preview  
11:00 am — auction starts

We will be arranging carpools, so please contact one of us about taking your car or requiring a ride.  
RSVP: Dominique Racanelli and  
Johanne Desrochers.

### SCRAPBOOKING

**Tuesday, October 7, 7:00 pm**

4380 Cote des Neiges, Westmount

Come join us for an evening of fun, fellowship and scrapbooking! For details, contact Leah Trineer.

### WINE TASTING

**Monday, October 13, 7:15 pm**

Explore a wide variety of wines from around the world. Space is limited and the cost of the wines we taste is shared among participants. This month we check out Reislings. Please let me know (preferably by email) by the Thursday prior to the tasting if you wish to attend. Reservations are a must and a no-show fee is charged. Linda Snell.

### STAGE AND SOIRÉE

**Thursday, October 16, 5:30 – 6:30 pm**

Centre Mont Royal - Beatty Memorial Lecture  
by Dr. Karl Deisseroth. Free.  
Register at [lorraine.torpy@mcgill.ca](mailto:lorraine.torpy@mcgill.ca).

**Thursday, October 16, 7:00-8:00 pm**, Pollack Hall  
Reception and "Spotlight on Schulich" concert  
\$10 - Register at [irene.baczynski@mcgill.ca](mailto:irene.baczynski@mcgill.ca).

### OUTDOOR LADIES

**Sunday, October 19, 11:00 am**

This month's outing will be to the Pointe-Claire Village that includes a small market, an historic site and windmill, shops and restaurants. For details and reservations, contact Carly Pepler.

*NOTE: Carly's phone number was incorrect in the last issue. We apologize for the error.*

### TRAVELS WITH MY AUNT

**Wednesday, October 22, 7:00 pm (Coach House)**

Member Liz Wirth will be talking about her whirlwind travels in South America. Contact Valerie Markham for details.

### SUPPER CLUB

**Tuesday, October 28, 7:00 pm (we meet at 6:45 pm)**

Pagliaccio (Italian)  
365 Laurier Avenue West  
Reservations a must!!!! Call Gloria Ménard  
**before 6:00 pm, October 23.** One place reserved for a new member until reservation deadline.



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## Montreal Children's Hospital Foundation Fundraiser

Do you like to swim? Do you like to run? Would you like to help young cancer patients at the Children's? It's time to create your team of runners and swimmers for the 13th edition of **Splash and Dash** on **November 8** at the McGill Sports Complex.



Help patients to win their battle against cancer and make their hospital stay more enjoyable. It's easy and it's fun! Learn more about the event by going to [www.splashanddash.ca](http://www.splashanddash.ca).

## EVENTS CALENDAR — OCTOBER 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	 2 March of 1,000 Umbrellas	3	4
5 Chit-Chat en français	6	7 Scrapbooking	8 BOD meeting	9	10	11
12	 13 Thanksgiving/Wine Tasting	14	15 Newsletter deadline / Dinner meeting	16 Stage & Soirée	17	18
19 Outdoor Ladies	20	21	22 Travels With My Aunt	23	24	25
26	27	28 Supper Club	29	30  Halloween	31	

**SAVING TIME, MONEY, TREES**  
 Please note that before the end of the year, in an effort to save both time and money, we will stop sending out newsletters by regular mail to anyone who has provided us with an email address for our database. If, however, you have no access to a computer, you will continue to receive the newsletter by mail.



## QWF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR JUDY MAPPIN COMMUNITY AWARD

Throughout her more than 30-year career as a bookseller at her Westmount bookstore The Double Hook, Judy Mappin was the first recipient of this award (in 1995) for quietly but fiercely promoting generations of Canadian writers. Judy died on February 14, 2014.

The Quebec Writers' Federation is now accepting written nominations for the 2014 Judy Mappin Community Award. The prize, formerly known as the QWF Community Award, has been renamed to honour the memory of Ms. Mappin.

Candidates must be members of the extended literary community and have made a significant and long-standing contribution to the development and/or dissemination of English-language literature in Quebec. They must be living at the time of their nomination, and those who have already won the award are not eligible.

Send the name of your nominee along with a brief description of his or her relevant activities to [admin@qwf.org](mailto:admin@qwf.org). Your own name must be clearly indicated in the submission.

The nominee's work must have

- made his or her contribution to the community for a period of ten years or more (provide details);
- furthered English-language literature in Quebec (describe in detail);
- been unique and/or of long-lasting value to the community; and

- gone beyond the boundaries of his or her job description to enrich the English-language literary community.

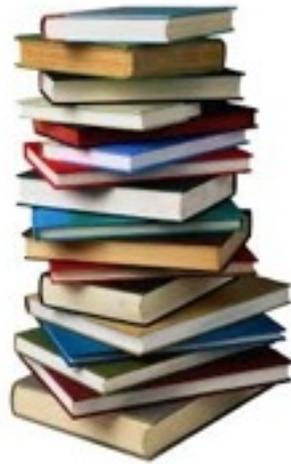
Nominations may also include a CV indicating the nominees' activities over their career. The prize will be awarded at the QWF Annual Awards Gala at the Virgin Mobile Corona Theatre on Tuesday, November 18.

Recent recipients of the QWF Community Award:

- 2003 *Linda Leith*, writer, founder/artistic director of Blue Metropolis Foundation and Literary Festival
- 2004 *Margaret Goldik and Ian McGillis*, co-editors of Montreal Review of Books
- 2005 *Guy Rodgers*, writer, executive director of the English-Language Arts Network
- 2006 *Julie Keith*, writer, past president of the Quebec Writers' Federation
- 2007 *André Vanasse*, writer, publisher, XYZ Éditeur, activist for the writing community
- 2008 *Mary Soderstrom*, writer and advocate for the writing community
- 2009 *Luci and Adrian King-Edwards*, owners of The Word bookstore
- 2010 *Ilona Martonfi*, founder/producer/host of Yellow Door Poetry & Prose reading series
- 2011 *Endre Farkas*, editor, publisher, long-time promoter of the English-language arts
- 2012 *Steve Luxton*, writer, publisher, editor, teacher and mentor
- 2013 *Founding members* of FEWQ, QSPELL and QWF

**For more information: 514-933-0878  
([info@qwf.org](mailto:info@qwf.org)) or [www.qwf.org](http://www.qwf.org)**

**Deadline for nominations: Wed., October 1, 2014.**





## PUBLICITY Get Social With Us!

Our comprehensive social-media strategy has begun! Not only will it give us a greater online presence, but it will also help to achieve our mission, further our aims as a non-profit organization, and provide a valuable network tool for members.

A benefit of social media in general is as an economical marketing tool to attract new members. Prospective members have the opportunity to get a feel for our organization by checking out the website, looking at any public discussions we have, and reading about our membership advantages.

In spearheading this strategy, I discovered that popular media is used by non-profits for different end results:



**Facebook** is like a fan page with photos and user (i.e., member) discussions about events and interest groups. Members/users who “like” our organization list themselves as fans. These fans then see updates on their own newsfeed without having to separately visit the UWCM page.



**LinkedIn** is a more professional networking site where serious discussions and knowledge sharing – like advocacy and resolution updates (such as we share with CFUW and IFUW) – take place, and growth and learning opportunities abound.

Our **website** (which is receiving another facelift to expand its content) provides a one-stop shopping experience where users will be able to find out what's going on at the club, read the newsletter, download the dinner/speaker program at any time, read about our heritage, and renew a membership in just a few clicks.

Not feeling so great about your online skills? Don't worry. We plan to host a few workshops where we will demystify the terminology, teach you how to access the various media and generally help you become more tech-savvy. Watch future newsletters and emails for details.

*Jill Wood*  
**Publicity Chair**

## OF INTEREST

### SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS November 2, 2014

School board elections will take place on Sunday, November 2. Every taxpayer is eligible to vote — after all, schools are funded by your taxes. At the English Montreal School Board, there will be only 10 electoral divisions (compared to the 23 there are presently). The position of chairman will be elected for a three-year term.

Unless you currently have children in the English school system, you are by default placed on the French school-board list. If you wish to ensure that you are on the English list, call 1-888-353-2846. Deadline to register is October 18.

If you wish to register, print out the form (at [http://www.emsb.qc.ca/emsb\\_en/pdf\\_en/governance\\_en/Electoral%20Divisions/electoral-list2014-08-26.pdf](http://www.emsb.qc.ca/emsb_en/pdf_en/governance_en/Electoral%20Divisions/electoral-list2014-08-26.pdf)), fill it out and return it to the EMSB before October 18. And don't forget to vote on Sunday, November 2.

### Quebec Council of CFUW Clubs *Conseil québécois des associations de la FCFD*

The next Quebec Council meeting will be held on October 18, 2014, and the South Shore University Women's Club will be hosting the event. An invitation with the details will soon be sent to all our members.

### Quebec City to host CFUW/FCFDU Annual General Meeting and Conference June 18-21, 2015