

Reading *Frankenstein*: Then, Now, Next

St. Michael's College | Charbonnel Lounge | 81 St Mary Street, Toronto

— Schedule of Events —

8:30-9:00 a.m. **Welcome Coffee and Refreshments | Registration**
9:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks:** Paolo Granata, Jean-Olivier Richard, and Terry F. Robinson

Frankenstein Then

9:00-10:20 a.m. **Keynote** | Introduction: Karen Weisman (UofT)
▪ Mark Canuel (U of Illinois Chicago), "*Frankenstein* and the Progress of Civilizations"

10:20-10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:30-11:45 a.m. **Roundtable** | Chair: Terry F. Robinson (UofT)
▪ Jeffrey N. Cox (U Colorado Boulder), "Reading *Frankenstein* in the Theatre"
▪ Sonia Hofkosh (Tufts U), "*Frankenstein* and the Question of Genre"
▪ Dan White (UofT), "Reading *Frankenstein's* Reading"

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

Frankenstein Now

1:00-2:15 p.m. **Keynote** | Introduction: Alan Bewell (UofT)
▪ Josephine Johnston (The Hastings Centre, NY), "Responsible Science: Confronting Today's Monsters"

2:15-2:30 p.m. **Break**

2:30-3:30 p.m. **Roundtable** | Chair: Jean-Olivier Richard (UofT)
▪ Marc McCutcheon (Athabasca U), "The Marshall and Mary Chain: How We Talk about Technology Now"
▪ Catherine Stinson (Western Ontario U), "*Frankenstein's* Progeny: AI's Culture of Exceptionalism"
▪ Dav Clarke (Head of Data Science, Gigantum | PI, Glass Bead Labs, Washington D.C.), "*Frankenstein* and Cybernetics"

3:30-3:45 p.m. **Coffee & Refreshments**

Frankenstein Next

3:45-5:00 p.m. **Keynote** | Introduction: Paolo Granata (UofT)
▪ Jason Scott Robert (Arizona State U), "*Frankenstein* and Our Uncanny Future"

5:00-5:10 p.m. **Break**

5:10-6:10 p.m. **Roundtable** | Chair: Avery Slater (UofT)
▪ Michael Sims (Non-Fiction Writer), "The Future is Past"
▪ Yulia Frumer (Johns Hopkins U), "Fear or Fondness: The Historical Construction of Attitudes towards Robots"

6:10-6:15 p.m. **Closing Remarks**