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ACOUSTICS WEEK IN CANADA

Niagara-on-the-Lake, 14 - 16 October 2009

Acoustics Week in Canada 2009, the annual conference of the Canadian Acoustical Association, will be held in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario from 14 to 16 October 2009. This is the premier Canadian acoustical event of the year, and is being held in beautiful, quaint Niagara-on-the-Lake village, making it an event that you do not want to miss. The conference will include three days of plenary lectures, technical sessions on a wide range of areas of acoustics, the CAA Annual General Meeting, an equipment exhibition, and the conference banquet and other social events.

Venue and Accommodation – The conference will be held at the Pillar & Post Inn, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario [<http://www.vintage-hotels.com/niagara-on-the-lake/hotels/pillar-and-post.php>]. Pillar and Post is located in a quiet residential area, surrounded by a wonder of gardens and only a five minute walk from Niagara-on-the-Lake's main street. Originally built in the late 1800s, it was used as a canning factory in the midst of Niagara's wine and fruit region. Since 1970 it has been gradually transformed into a luxurious country inn with 122 newly redesigned guestrooms, plus ample meeting space with the latest business amenities. Participants registering with the hotel before 5 September 2009 will receive the reduced room rate of \$179/night (single or double). Stay at the conference hotel to be near all activities and your colleagues, and to help make the conference a financial success, to the benefit of all CAA members.

Plenary Lectures – Plenary lectures will be presented in the areas of Architectural Acoustics/Ecology (Dr. Bradley & Prof. Westerkamp), Psychological Acoustics (Prof. Neuhoff) and Bio Acoustics (Prof. Kolios).

Special Sessions – Special sessions (about 23) consisting of invited and contributed papers are currently being organized on the following topics:

- Architectural Acoustics
- Acoustic Ecology and Soundscape
- Sound Absorbing Materials
- Biomedical Acoustics
- Speech Production, Speech Perception and Speech Disorders
- Noise Control
- Aeroacoustics
- Wavelet Acoustics
- Occupational Noise Standards
- Psychological Acoustics
- Vibroacoustics

If you would like to propose and/or organize a special session in your technical area, please contact the Conference Chair or the Technical Chair as soon as possible.

Equipment Exhibition – The conference will include one one-day exhibition of acoustical equipment and products on Thursday 15 October 2009. If you are an equipment supplier interested in participating in the exhibition, please contact the Exhibition Coordinator as soon as possible.





Social Events – The conference will begin on Wednesday morning with an opening ceremony and welcome by Prof. Kendra Schank Smith, Chair, Architectural Science Department, Ryerson University. On Wednesday evening, a reception will be held for all delegates, followed by a potential Soundscape Walk along the village’s main street. Banquet will be held on Thursday with a musical listening experience, “EMOTICHAIR.”

Spousal Program – If the number warrants, Mrs. Suman Ramakrishnan will organize a spousal program with a walking tour of Niagara-on-the-Lake as well as a trip to Niagara Falls with stops along the Niagara Parkway for all attending spouses and children. Details will be made available with registration forms.

Student Participation – The participation of students is strongly encouraged. Travel subsidies and reduced registration fees will be available. A hotel room-sharing program will be available to reduce costs. Student presenters are eligible to win prizes for the best presentations at the conference.

Paper Submission – Following are the deadlines for submission of abstracts, and of two-page summaries for publication in the proceedings issue of *Canadian Acoustics*: Abstracts submission: 1 June 2009; submission of two-page summaries: 15 July 2009.



Registration – details of registration fees and the registration form will be made available on the conference website. Early registration at a reduced fee is available until 1 September 2009.

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