

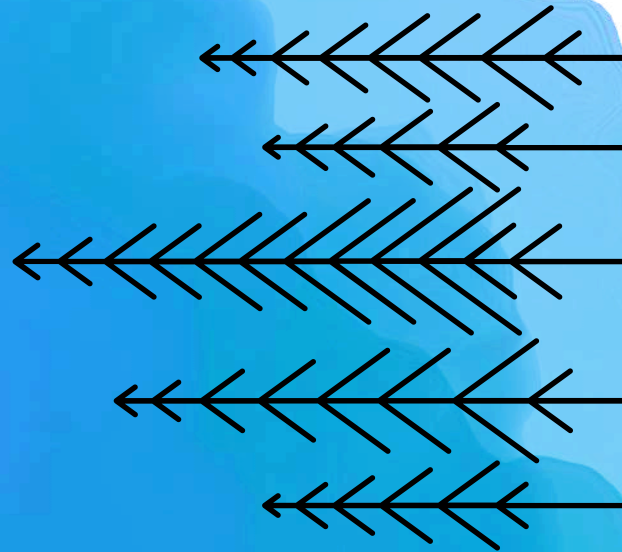


HAIKU CANADA
CONFERENCE 2026

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Queen's University
Kingston, Ontario
Mackintosh-Corry Hall
Room B201



Thursday, May 14
Jeudi 14 mai

5-7 pm **Pre-Conference Welcome and Tea**

7 pm **Reading** from "The Astonishing Room" by poet Brian Bartlett at the Novel Idea Bookstore located at 156 Princess St. Also, special guests from Kingston will be joining in/Lecture d'extrait du recueil "The Astonishing room" par le poète Brian Bartlett à la librairie Novel Idea située au 156 rue Princess. Des invitées spéciales de la région de Kingston se joindront à la lecture.

Information for the weekend



For the Silent Auction / Encan silencieux: Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room D405

- Bring small items for the Silent Auction.
- Starting 9 am Friday, ending Saturday 9 pm.
- Apportez votre matériel (petite taille).
- Débute le vendredi à 9h et se termine le samedi à 21h.



For the bilingual Ginko walk on Friday May 15: Murney Tower

Murney Tower, part of the Kingston Fortifications, is a designated National Historic Site of Canada and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Murney Tower is recognized as having played an important role in the defense of British North America, thus enabling Canada to develop its own political and cultural identity.

Special Collaboration Haiku Canada-Murney Tower

Murney Tower Museum and Haiku Canada have agreed to partner to showcase haiku written during our ginko walk on Friday, May 15. Haiku written by conference attendees will be mounted and displayed as a Special Exhibition at the Tower for the entire 2026 operating season (May - Sep. 2026). One haiku from each conference attendee will be chosen by our Selection Committee for inclusion in the exhibition.

Please submit your haiku inspired by Murney Tower before May 24:

Hans C. Dringenberg
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- 9h **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Hans Dringenberg
- 9h15 **Members' Reading of the HC Anthology 2026**
Pamela Cooper & Mike Montreuil
- 9h45 **The Sarashina Diary and You: A Journey of a Thousand Years**
Claudia Coutu Radmore
- 10h45 break / pause
- 11h **Sitting cross-legged: A Haiku Writing Workshop**
Susan Plumridge
- 12h lunch / diner (on your own)
- 13h30 **Immigrant Experiences Through Haiku & Tanka**
Elena Calvo, Luminita Suse & Hans Dringenberg
- 14h30 **Migration. A reflection on how we humans might feel if/when we leave Earth and settle on another planet**
Ruth Mittelholtz
- 15h **An Update on the Haiku Canada Archives**
Vicki McCullough
- 15h30 **Ginko Walk #1: Murney Tower Museum**
Hans Dringenberg (English) and Claude Rodrigue (French)
- 17h30 supper / souper (on your own)
- 19h **Book Launch Reading**
Vicki McCullough, kjmunro, Angela Leuck, and various authors
- 21h **Late Night Renku**
Marshall Hryciuk and Karen Sohne



Saturday, May 16
Samedi 16 mai

- 9h **The Contribution of Japanese-Canadian Haiku and Tanka Poets**
Angela Leuck
- 10h **When Occident meets Orient —
Fusion of Western and Eastern Poetry: the Rengoum**
Luce Pelletier & Mike Montreuil
- 11h break / pause
- 11h15 **Village Flooded with Children: A Celebration of Metaphors in Haiku**
Brian Bartlett
- 12h15 lunch / diner (on your own)
- 13h45 **Short & Sweet: Using Haiku “Telegrams” to Revisit Family History**
Jessica Allyson
- 14h30 **An Update on the Inaugural Maritime Haiku Getaway
in St. Sephen, NB**
Carole Martignacco & Angela Leuck
- 14h45 break / pause
- 15h **A Look at (Im)migration in Haiku**
LeRoy Gorman
- 16h **Ginko Walk #2: Lake Ontario Waterfront**
Hans Dringenberg and kjmunro
- 18h **Banquet** in the Grant Hall Auditorium
- 19h **Announcement of Bluger Award Winners**
Angela Leuck
- 19h30 **Open-mike Reading / lecture ouverte**
- 21h **Late night Renku**
Marshall Hryciuk & Karen Sohne



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Sunday, May 17
Dimanche 17 mai

9h30 **What Can Issa Teach Us About Immigration?**

Korie Beth Brown

10h30 break / pause

claim your silent auction items!

10h45 **Northern Passage: Haiku from Northern Canada
and Greenland as an Act of Resilience**

Sandra St-Laurent

11h30 **Announcement of Winners**

Betty Drevniok Award

Prix Jocelyne-Villeneuve

Reading of Renku

Marshall Hryciuk & Karen Sohne

**Closing Words: An Invitation to the Celebration of the 50th
Anniversary Celebration of Haiku Canada in 2027**

Angela Leuck

Additional information renseignements supplémentaires



All main activities will be in
Toutes les activités principales se tiendront à:
Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room B201



Silent auction, book sales, and gathering space will be in :
l'encan silencieux, vente de livres et rencontres parallèles se tiendront:
Mackintosh-Corry Hall, Room D405



To learn more about the area
(bilingual websites below)

Pour en apprendre plus sur la région
Office de tourisme de Kingston

[Visit Kingston.ca](https://www.visitkingston.ca)



To learn more about Queen's University

Pour en apprendre plus sur l'Université
Queens

[queensu.ca](https://www.queensu.ca)

Interactive map of [Queen's University](https://www.queensu.ca)
carte interactive de [l'Université Queen's](https://www.queensu.ca)



To learn more about the Murney Tower
Museum:

Pour en apprendre plus sur le musée de la
tour Murney

[Murneytower.com](https://www.murneytower.com)



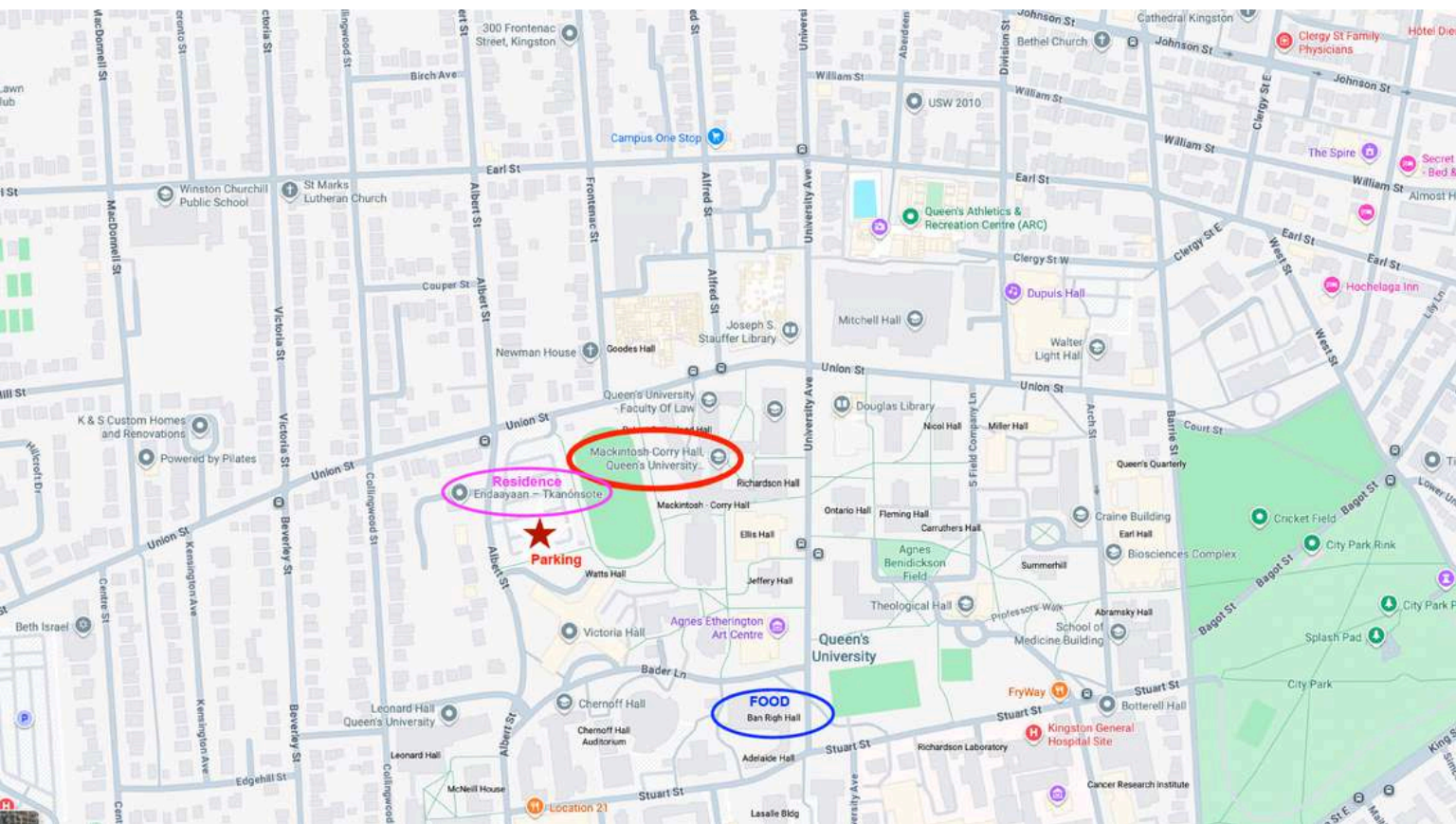
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Residence Accommodation/ Hébergement en résidence

For those who are staying in residence, here are some important updates. The residence building with our block of rooms is Endaayaan – Tkanónsote. Check-in to obtain your room keys is in the same building. Check-in time is 3 PM. Check-out time is 11 AM. See map below. / Pour ceux et celles qui séjournent en résidence, voici quelques informations importantes. Le bâtiment de la résidence où se trouvent nos chambres est Endaayaan – Tkanónsote. L'enregistrement pour récupérer vos clés de chambre se fait dans ce même bâtiment. L'enregistrement a lieu à 15 h. Le départ doit avoir lieu avant 11 h. Détails sur la carte ci-dessous.

Parking / Stationnement

There is a surface parking lot right across from the residence (see map). You will have to pay \$15/day on weekdays. Parking on weekends and after 5 PM is free. / Il y a un parking extérieur juste en face de la résidence (voir le plan). Le stationnement coûte 15 \$ par jour en semaine. Il est gratuit le week-end et après 17 h.



Breakfast and Lunch Meals Deals / Forfait déjeuner et diner

For those who have purchased tickets for breakfast and/or lunch, the dining hall is *Ban Righ Hall* (see map). Tickets are still available. Pour ceux et celles qui ont acheté des billets pour le petit-déjeuner et/ou le déjeuner, la salle à manger est la *Ban Righ Hall* (voir le plan). Il reste encore des tickets disponibles.