

The Kootenay School of Writing
98/01/10-02/06/20
A List of Events



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1998

- 01/10 Colin Browne reading
02/15 Jeff Derksen & Susan Holbrook reading
02/17 *Open Letter* launch feat. readings by Clint Burnham, Jeff Derksen, Deanna Ferguson, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk, Rob Manery, Mark Nakada
02/21 Kathy Acker Benefit for Breast Cancer: Ivan E. Coyote, Nora Kelly, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk, Judy Radul, Sharon Thesen, Kate Van Dusen
03/07 Rob Manery, Bill Luoma & Juliana Spahr reading
03/13 Nico Vassilakis & Maxine Gadd reading
03/18 Ann Lauterbach reading
03/21 Colin Smith reading & launch of *Multiple Poses*
04/19 Catriona Strang & Meredith Quartermain reading & launch of *Abstract Relations*
05/13 KSW Benefit feat. Michael Ondaatje & Lisa Robertson reading
05/16 Janisse Browning talk, "Stories from the Well"
05/30 Melissa Wolsak & Lori Weidenhammer reading & performance
06/20 Jean Day & Shelley McIntosh reading
06/30 George Bowering & Dorothy Trujillo Lusk reading (Robson Central)
07/26 Dan Farrell & Sianne Ngai reading
08/15 Deirdre Kovac & Lise Downe reading
09/02 Naomi Foyle reading
09/08 Terry Glavin & Marie Annharte Baker reading (Robson Central)
09/13 John Havelde reading
09/20 Drew Milne & Pete Smith reading
09/21 Drew Milne talk
09/24 Steve McCaffery reading
10/04 Suzette Mayr & Karen X. Tulchinsky reading
10/06 Roy Miki & Susan Clark reading (Robson Central)
10/11 Kathleen Fraser reading
10/18 Clint Burnham & Mark Laba reading & puppet show
10/24 Basil Bunting & A24 (films)
10/25 Jenny Penberthy talk, "A Little Too Little: re. reading Niedecker"
11/01 Charles Reznikoff (film)
11/03 Sharon Thesen & Michael Barnholden reading (Robson Central)
11/08 Launch of *Raddle Moon 17* feat. readings by Christine Stewart, Melissa Wolsak, Lisa Robertson, Ted Byrne, Meredith Quartermain, Rob Manery, Susan Clark, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk, Paul Mutton, Maxine Gadd and Marie Annharte Baker
11/14 Gerry Gilbert reading
11/17 Tom Raworth & Deanna Ferguson reading
11/22 Mark Nowak & Maria Damon reading
11/24 Doug Henwood talk
11/29 Mary & George Oppen (films)
12/01 Bud Osborn & Sarah Wakefield reading (Robson Central)
12/06 "An Objectivist's Panel" feat. Jenny Penberthy & Peter Quartermain
12/13 Robert Mitterthal & Brian Carpenter reading

1999

- 01/05 Stan Persky reading (Robson Central)
- 01/17 Murray Dobbin talk
- 01/23 Norma Cole reading
- 01/24 Norma Cole talk, "The Poetics of Vertigo"
- 02/02 Judy Radul & Maxine Gadd reading (Robson Central)
- 03/02 Lydia Kwa & Renee Rodin reading (Robson Central)
- 03/21 Mark Leier talk
- 03/27 Lee Ann Brown reading
- 04/06 Marwan Hassan & Wayde Compton reading (Robson Central)
- 04/18 François Houle & Herb Levy talks
- 04/25 Alice Notley reading
- 04/29 Alice Notley talk
- 04/30 Douglas Oliver reading
- 05/04 Tom McGauley & Ted Byrne reading (Robson Central)
- 05/15 Louise Bak reading
- 05/23 Alan Davies reading
- 05/24 Alan Davies talk
- 05/29 Mari-Lou Rowley reading (Robson Central)
- 06/01 bill bissett reading (Robson Central)
- 07/10 Robert Hogg reading
- 07/24 Hilary Clark & Christine Stewart reading (Robson Central)
- 08/14 Barbara Guest reading
- 08/15 Barbara Guest talk, "Byzantine Proposals"
- 08/27 Haruko Okano & Fred Wah: High (bridi) Tea
- 09/05 Dan Farrell reading
- 09/28 Erin Mouré reading (Robson Central)
- 10/26 Louis Cabri & Jacqueline Turner reading (Robson Central)
- 11/30 John Donlan & Roger Farr reading

2000

- 01/22 Launch of *Writing Class* feat. readings by Andrew Klobucar, Michael Barnholden, Gerald Creede, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk, Lary Bremner, Lisa Robertson & Peter Culley (Artspeak Gallery)
- 02/01 Time Mechanix 1: Edward Dorn presented by Michael Barnholden
- 02/13 Open House at 505 Hamilton Street & Launch of *W1* feat. readings by Michael Barnholden, Ted Byrne, Aaron Vidaver, Roger Farr, Jacqueline Turner, Steven Ward, Meredith Quatermain, Gerald Creede, Lisa Robertson & Tom McGauley
- 02/19 Spicer Reading Group
- 02/27 Anomalous Parlance 1: Melissa Wolsak *Pen Chants & An Heuristic Prolusion*
- 03/07 Time Mechanix 2: Basil Bunting presented by Peter Quartermain
- 03/21 Lisa Robertson "Old Grammars New Contingencies" 1st workshop 1
- 03/26 Anomalous Parlance 2: Catriona Strang & Nancy Shaw *Busted*
- 03/28 Lisa Robertson "Old Grammars New Contingencies" 1st workshop 2

- 04/04 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 1st workshop 3
- 04/04 Time Mechanix 3: Mina Loy presented by Robyn Laba
- 04/08 Jeff Derksen Welcoming Committee 1: Seminar on “Sites Taken as Signs”
- 04/11 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 1st workshop 4
- 04/14 Jacqueline Turner launch *Into the Fold* (ANZA Club)
- 04/15 Jeff Derksen Welcoming Committee 2: Seminar on on the Constitutive Outside
- 04/18 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 1st workshop 5
- 04/23 Jeff Derksen & Deanna Ferguson reading
- 04/25 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 1st workshop 6
- 04/26 Jeff Derksen talk, “Totalizable You: Towards an Articulatory Poetics”
- 04/29 Anomalous Parlance 3: Lisa Robertson *The Weather*
- 04/30 Anomalous Parlance 4: Lisa Robertson talk “What’s Didactic?”
- 05/02 Time Mechanix 4: Gertrude Stein presented by Dorothy Trujillo Lusk
- 05/06 Barrett Watten talk “Zone: The Poetics of Space” (SFU)
- 05/14 Barrett Watten Postmortem Committee: Seminar on “Bride of the Assembly Line”
- 05/28 Anomalous Parlance 5: Susan Clark *Bad Infinity & aslitx*
- 06/02 Rachel Blau du Plessis reading
- 06/06 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 1
- 06/06 Time Mechanix 5: Charles Watts presented by Greg Placonouris
- 06/13 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 2
- 06/16 Launch of *W2* feat. reading by Louis Cabri & Susan Holbrook (Calgary)
- 06/20 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 3
- 06/23 Launch of *W2* feat. readings by Maxine Gadd, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk & Clint Burnham (Corazón)
- 06/24 Launch of *Writing Class* with Michael Barnholden, Andrew Klobucar, Lisa Robertson, Dan Farrell & Peter Culley (Small Press Traffic, San Francisco)
- 06/25 Anomalous Parlance 6: Christine Stewart *Taxonomy*
- 06/27 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 4
- 07/04 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 5
- 07/11 Lisa Robertson “Old Grammars New Contingencies” 2nd workshop 6
- 08/20 Stupidity Seminar 1: on Avital Ronell “The Uninterrogated Question of Stupidity”
- 08/27 Steven Ward & Maxine Gadd reading
- 09/10 “Drone, cackle, threnody, duct tape, expression, pasta, glaze, the skull bones of snipers”: a round table discussion of the book, *Comp.* by Kevin Davies with Clint Burnham, Gerald Creede, Peter Culley, Billy Little, Dorothy Trujillo Lusk, George Stanley and Reg Johanson
- 09/17 Jason Wiens talk, “Documenting the Contemporary: Vancouver poetry of the 1980s”
- 09/24 Stupidity Seminar 2: on Jacques Derrida “The Rhetoric of Drugs”
- 10/03 Time Mechanix 6: Vladimir Meier presented by Tom McGauley
- 10/06 Writing Into Race 1: Fred Wah & Phinder Dulai reading
- 10/15 Stupidity Seminar 3: on Avital Ronell *Crack Wars: Literature, Addiction, Mania*
- 10/22 Nicole Markotic & Nathalie Stephens reading
- 11/05 Norman Fischer reading
- 11/07 Time Mechanix 7: Edith Sitwell presented by Lisa Robertson
- 11/12 Writing Into Race 2: Ashok Mathur reading & panel “Racializing Space: A Return to the ANZA” with Roy Miki, Phinder Dulai & Rita Wong

- 11/12 Maxine Gadd 60th Birthday Celebration
 11/26 Writing Into Race 3: Ian Samuels & Lawrence Ytzhak Braithwaite reading
 12/03 Writing Into Race 4: Jam. Ismail reading
 12/05 Time Mechanix 8: Jack Spicer presented by Reg Johanson
 12/10 Seminar on The Poetics of Impossibility
- 2001
- 01/05 Ammiel Alcalay talk, “Responses and Responsibilities” (SFU)
 01/06 Ammiel Alcalay reading
 01/07 Rod Smith reading
 01/17 Clint Burnham & Michael Barnholden talk (Portland Hotel)
 01/21 Stupidity Seminar 4: on Sianne Ngai “Stuplimity: Shock and Boredom in Twentieth-Century Aesthetics”
 01/26 George Quasha & Charles Stein reading
 01/30 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 1
 02/04 KSW Collective Collaborative Writing Experiment
 02/06 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 2
 02/06 Time Mechanix 9: “Hinges: Roy Kiyooka 1969-1970” presented by Roy Miki
 02/13 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 3
 02/18 Seminar on Denise Riley 1: *Words of Selves*
 02/20 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 4
 02/25 Against Work as Such 1: Dorothy Trujillo Lusk & Gerald Creede reading
 02/27 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 5
 03/06 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 1st workshop 6
 03/06 Time Mechanix 10: Stevie Smith presented by Meredith Quatermain
 03/13 Benjamin Friendlander reading & talk on Emily Dickinson
 03/18 Seminar on Denise Riley 2: *Words of Selves*
 03/25 Against Work as Such 2: Clint Burnham reading & talk
 03/27 “Of Walking” student group meeting
 04/03 Time Mechanix 11: Paul Celan presented by Robert Manery
 04/22 Seminar on Denise Riley 3: *Words of Selves*
 04/23 Denise Riley talk, “The Right To Be Lonely” (SFU)
 04/24 Denise Riley workshop part one
 04/25 Denise Riley workshop part two
 04/26 Denise Riley workshop part three
 04/27 Denise Riley reading
 04/29 Against Work as Such 3: Peter Culley reading & talk
 05/01 Time Mechanix 12: “Charles Olson as I Knew Him” presented by Ralph Maud
 05/06 Avery Burns reading
 05/13 Meredith Quatermain & Aaron Vidaver reading
 05/14 David Fujino reading
 05/20 Seminar on *Words of Selves* & Ideological State Apparatuses
 06/05 Time Mechanix 13: “Black Voice and Stately Airs: Isaac Dickson, Mifflin Gibbs, and Black British Columbia’s First Trial of Authenticity” presented by Wayde Compton

- 06/10 Seminar on “Interpellation” in Louis Althusser, Denise Riley & Judith Butler
- 06/17 Kegan Doyle talk on Cid Corman
- 06/19 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 1
- 06/24 Against Work as Such 4: Michael Barnholden talk “Means of Production: Production of Meaning—Rough Notes on Poetic Production in Vancouver in the Early Seventies”
- 06/26 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 2
- 07/03 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 3
- 07/10 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 4
- 07/14 Launch of *W4* feat. Rhoda Rosenfeld & Reg Johanson reading
- 07/15 Seminar on Contradiction & Overdetermination
- 07/17 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 5
- 07/24 Lisa Robertson “Of Walking” 2nd workshop 6
- 07/29 Studies in Practical Negation 1: “The Parable of the Shit-Eater”
- 08/03 Dorothy Trujillo Lusk reading & launch of *Ogress Oblige*
- 08/17 Susan Clark reading & launch of *as lit x: the syntax of adoration*
- 08/19 Seminar on Adorno and the Lyric
- 08/26 Ted Byrne reading & launch of *Beautiful Lies, Chapter 4*
- 09/07 SWARM 2: Open House feat. Bob Filliou “Video Breakfasting with Roy Kiyooka”
- 09/09 Investigating Standard English 1: Milroy & Milroy’s *Authority in Language*
- 09/22 Peter Culley & Colin Smith reading (Western Front)
- 09/23 Everyday Life Redux panel with Peter Culley, Kathryn MacLeod, Rhoda Rosenfeld and Colin Smith
- 09/30 Studies in Practical Negation 2: “Elements of Semantic Refusal”
- 10/07 Open Forum on “Subject, Power, Public Order & Security”
- 10/14 Investigating Standard English 2: Parakrama *De-Hegemonizing Language Standards*
- 10/18 Roundtable on “Creative” Writing, The Academy & Other Institutionalizations with Fred Wah, Lisa Robertson, Clint Burnham, Ashok Mathur, Mark Cochrane, and Reg Johanson (SFU)
- 10/19 Panel on Publishing with Frank Davey, Roger Farr, Sharon Thesen, Jason Le Heup, Derek Beaulieu, Russ Rickey, Susan Clark & Michael Barnholden (Capilano College)
- 10/21 Ken Edwards talk, “The Two Poetries”
- 10/22 Seminar on The Impossible Part 1
- 10/25 Time Mechanix 14: “Towards a Trotskyist Poetics? The Example of Earle Birney” by Louis Cabri
- 10/26 Ken Edwards reading
- 10/27 Louis Cabri talk, “ ‘Liberalism equals the gulag’: Negation & Equivalency in Bruce Andrews’ I Don’t Have Any Paper So Shut Up (or, Social Romanticism)”
- 10/28 Studies in Practical Negation 3: “What Isn’t To Be Undone?”
- 11/03 Robert Manery launch of *It’s Not as If It Hasn’t Been Said Before*
- 11/10 Seminar on The Impossible Part 2
- 11/10 Bernadette Mayer, Phil Good, and Danike Dinsmore reading
- 11/12 Bernadette Mayer talk

- 11/24 Sianne Ngai, Kevin Davies, Deirdre Kovac, Dan Farrell reading (Western Front)
- 11/25 Studies in Practical Negation 4: Panel on “Recent Events” with Sianne Ngai, Kevin Davies, Deirdre Kovac, Dan Farrell
- 12/07 Maxine Gadd launch of *Fire in the Cove*

2002

- 01/06 Implicatedness 1: Introduction, on Haraway on Oncomouse & Lingis on Community
- 01/25 Christian Bök reading
- 01/27 Implicatedness 2: on Haraway & Hardt & Negri on “Empire”
- 02/02 Steve Collis reading & launch of *Mine*
- 02/09 Kirsten Forkert talk, “Against Information”
- 02/17 Implicatedness 3: on Brecht “The Monster”
- 02/22 Kevin Killian reading
- 02/23 Dodie Bellamy reading
- 02/24 Kevin Killian & Dodie Bellamy talks on Low Culture
- 03/22 Robyn Laba “Breathless” exhibition opening (OR Gallery)
- 03/23 Lytle Shaw reading
- 03/10 Implicatedness 4: on Dyer-Witheford & Thoburn on Hardt & Negri
- 03/28 Roy Miki launch of *Surrender*
- 04/06 Geradline Monk & Alan Halsey reading
- 04/19 Myung Mi Kim reading
- 04/20 Myung Mi Kim talk
- 04/28 Implicatedness 5: on Foucault *Fearless Speech* Lectures 1 & 4
- 05/05 Studies in Practical Negation 5: “Treachery & Betrayal” with Sharla Sava
- 05/11 Renee Rodin reading
- 05/12 Studies in Practical Negation 6: “Sabotage for Idiots” with Aaron Vidaver
- 05/19 Implicatedness 6: on Veroli & George *Politics Without the State*
- 05/19 Studies in Practical Negation 7: “Instruments of Uselessness” with Diana George & Nic Veroli
- 05/26 Studies in Practical Negation 8: “Protest Genres and the Pragmatics of Dissent” with Roger Farr
- 06/06 Implicatedness 7
- 06/07 Chris Stroffolino reading
- 06/09 Chris Stroffolino & Clint Burnham talk
- 06/20 Discussion of Miglena Nikolchina “The Seminar: Mode d’emploi: Impure Spaces in the Light of Late Totalitarianism”