Dear Alumni and Friends,

This semester has been as busy as ever, as you will see in the stories that follow. And I would just like to highlight here a few of our other activities.

First, our graduate writing group has gone from strength to strength, under the guidance of Professors Heba Mostafa and John Ricco. The group is actually just beginning a writing retreat as I write...

Second, our architectural history working group has met regularly, led by Professor Joseph Clarke, and continues to be an invaluable forum for establishing links between us and the Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design.
Third, allow me to briefly mention an activity in which I was involved — a co-venture with the Royal Ontario Museum this fall to create a symposium entitled Ancient Art of the Mediterranean. This event brought together a fine cast of international speakers to present on subjects that were in many cases tied to monstrous iconographies, perhaps no coincidence given the meeting's close proximity to Halloween.

You may also have seen that our new website has now been launched: www.arthistory.utoronto.ca. It brings a number of improvements over the old one, particularly in terms of accessibility.

I wish you the very best for the holidays and the New Year.

- Carl Knappett
  Professor & Chair

NEWS AND EVENTS

Alumna nominated for RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Award
2019 Peter H. Brieger Memorial Lecture

On November 14, 2019, Professor Paul Vandenbroeck (KU Leuven) gave the 28th lecture in this series, named in honour of Professor Peter H. Brieger (1898-1983). The lecture was a great success with over 80 alumni, guests, students and faculty in attendance wanting to hear about "Bosch's Cosmology" from one of the preeminent scholars in the field of iconography of early modern art in the Low Countries. We would like to express our utmost appreciation to all those who attended and hope to see you all at future events!

We would like to congratulate alumna Angelica Demetriou (MA 2011) and her business partner, Megan Kalaman, on being named finalists for a 2019 RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Award (Diversity Institute Micro-Business Award). Angela and Megan have been recongized for the success of K+D, a national art consulting firm they founded in 2017. You can read all about Angelica's nomination on the Faculty of Arts & Science's webpage.

W. Bernard Herman Distinguished Visiting Scholar

The Department of Art History is pleased to announce that Professor Nasser Rabbat, Aga Khan Professor & Director, Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture at MIT, has been named the 2020 W. Bernard Herman Distinguished Visiting Scholar in Art History. Named after W. Bernard Herman (1911-2011), this series provides the department with an opportunity to bring the finest art history scholars from across the globe to campus to deliver a high-profile public

Congratulations to our Graduates

On November 5th and 6th, graduands in the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy programs participated in the University's convocation ceremonies at Convocation Hall. Please join us in celebrating the fall 2019 convocating graduate students: two doctoral (Kate Addelman-Frankel, Amy Catherine Wallace) and six master's (Moizza Elahi, Josie Greenhill, Chaerin Kwon, Julia Ann Ouellette, Alison Williams, Maya Wilson-Sanchez) graduates!
lecture and serve as a resource for faculty and students. Professor Rabbat's lecture will be scheduled for April 2020. Please visit the department's website for further announcements and details.

Keep up with us!

Follow us on social media, where our undergraduate and graduate programs are very active. Find information on resources, event listings, student and faculty publications, photos, videos and more! Undergraduate students: Twitter, Facebook, Instagram
Graduate students: Twitter, Facebook, Instagram
Have a story or event that may be of interest to our students, colleagues and affiliates? We would love to hear from you and share it across our social media channels.

Art and the Nature of Change

Art history students have been busy planning for their sixth annual undergraduate symposium. With the theme "art and the nature of change," and to be held at Hart House this coming March, the symposium will consider the role of art in influencing, reflecting, responding to and giving meaning to moments of political, technological, social, religious, institutional and environmental change. The annual symposium creates a supportive environment in which undergraduate art historians can challenge their fields of interest and explore research as a community.
Wishing You a Wonderful Holiday Season

The Department of Art History would like to extend best wishes for the holiday season to all of our students, faculty, alumni, colleagues and friends. A reminder that the department and the art library will be closed from Monday, December 23, 2019 to Friday, January 3, 2020 inclusive, and will reopen on Monday, January 6, 2020. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season, and health and happiness to you and your family for 2020!

Support the Department

Our department is committed to the education of our talented students in a broad range of artistic endeavours from prehistory to the present. We strongly believe that students capable of critically reflecting on the power of art and architecture to shape culture and society will become responsible and sensitive global citizens. Please consider supporting us and our ongoing dedication to excellence.