



MASSEY ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM THE MASTER

Dear Massey Alumni,

I am delighted to share some news with you as a member of the Massey Alumni community.

Our busy year between September 2016 and May 2017 reflected a dynamic mix of High Tables, seasonal celebrations, symposia, round tables, musical performances, book clubs, musical evenings, dine ins, Junior Fellow lectures, and many other special events such as book launches and receptions.

Based on helpful advice from our Alumni, work has begun on modernizing the college website, with the goal of our alumni having access to a special online portal. Work is continuing on improving accessibility for all college spaces.

Once again, applications for the Junior Fellowship exceeded available places quite substantially. Those admitted very much reflect the disciplinary, cultural and generational diversity that makes the Massey experience so special.



Work is also continuing on our fundraising campaign, with broad consultation under way on goals and priorities.

We are now entering the second year of our governance reform project and we are moving to a fully elected Governing Board. The Don of Hall is already elected, and we are working with Alexandra Sorin, your President, as well as the Quadrangle Society so that both vital parts of the College community have a way of choosing their leadership.

As an alumni member, I am glad to advise you of our new partnership with Goodenough College, a graduate residential college in London's Bloomsbury district. Goodenough and Massey alumni will have reciprocal rights at both facilities. Goodenough Alumnus Matthew Goodwin played a great role in facilitating this new and exciting collaboration.

Sadly, this last year saw the death of Ken McCarter, founding Chair of the Quadrangle Society and a Senior Fellow who generously donated thousands of hours to the college, despite his duties as a senior partner at Tories,

LLP, and his work on the Board of the National Ballet School, University of Toronto Press and the Oxford Cambridge Society.

I have enclosed his speech, given at the College in January, at the Adrienne Clarkson Laureates High Table of which he was one of the deserving nominees.

As other college members, I am deeply indebted to Dean Amela Marin, Bursar Joyee Chau, Events Coordinator Emily Mockler, Catering Manager Darlene Naranjo, and chief steward Greg Cerson for the commitment, professionalism and devotion with they serve our college. They literally perform miracles to facilitate the Massey experience we all count on and value.

Donna joins me in wishing you a safe, restful, fun and above all healthy summer. We look forward to welcoming you to the College in September!

Best wishes,

Hugh Segal



Master, Massey College

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KEN MCCARTER SPEECH

Honoured Visitor, Master Segal, Madam Clarkson, fellow guests of the College,

Thank you. I would first like to say how honoured I am to be receiving this award with Alexandra Harris and Sophie

Borwein. Alexandra and Sophie, I have been able to see all your good work in so many things, and with your all-too-rare combination of firm principles and the willingness to act on them, you truly are an inspiration not only to Junior Fellows but to everyone here.

As some of you in this room know, I was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. I am being treated at one of the best facilities in the world - the McCain Centre for Pancreatic Cancer at Princess Margaret Hospital. But I have realized as I deal with my illness that more than having excellent medical care, what has really mattered to me is the many many messages of support and encouragement I have received. It is remarkable what a boost that gives you. I recently talked to a fellow cancer patient who said that after each chemo treatment she would post a blog, knowing that the messages of support would come in just when she was at her lowest from the effects of the chemo, and it would be a huge help in getting over her low point.

And that relates directly to public service. Just as I have been personally sustained by all kinds of support from many sources, non-profits benefit immensely from all kinds of support, large and small. Financially, even a small donation brings with it a very satisfying sense of personal attachment to the cause. Volunteering time also has its rewards. In addition to the satisfaction of spending time helping a cause you feel strongly about,



it is one of the best ways to connect outside your immediate world. I recently heard Jordan Banks, the CEO of Facebook Canada, say that all of his significant career

moves happened as a result of his involvement with non-profits. Much more than conventional networking, it enabled him to work with - not just talk to - a variety of people who shared his interest in the cause.

As a cliché would have it, in reflecting on one's life, one rarely thinks, "Gee, if only I could have spent more time at the office." But that is most emphatically not the case with volunteering. Doing so at as early a stage in life as possible, and in any amount or form, brings only reflected satisfaction on the contribution one has made and the pleasure one has had in making that contribution. The key, to use yet another cliché, is not to let the best be the enemy of the good. Please don't hesitate to volunteer time or money for fear that you cannot volunteer a sufficient amount of either - just as you would not hesitate to offer a friend facing an illness a supportive email knowing that you would never get around to writing a letter.

Two last things. I am delighted to donate the proceeds of my award to the College. And I am so grateful to you, Madam Clarkson, for instituting this award. It is a privilege for me to receive an award that has its genesis in someone who is such an example for all of us of true public service.

Thank you,

January 2017, Massey College Clarkson Laureates High Table

ALUMNI DINE-IN-HALLS

Alumni are highly encouraged to attend these evenings. They are not only important for maintaining, and growing, the connection between Massey and its former members, but gives Junior Fellows the opportunity to interact with, and learn from your experience both within the academic realm, and outside world.

Dinners are served at 6:30pm, with a reception at 6:pm each evening prior in the Common Room. If you plan on coming, don't forget to reserve ahead of time with the Porter!

Save the dates:

Monday, October 30th 2017

Friday, March 2nd 2018 (Alumni and Journalism Gala)

Tuesday, March 20th 2018

QUADRANGLE BOOK CLUB

This monthly event is a very popular one and it is open to the entire Massey community. Discussions start at 7:45 pm in the Upper Library and are followed by tea, coffee and sweets. We also encourage coming to dine in-hall beforehand (don't forget to book with the Porter!)

Monday, October 2, 2017

Thinking, Fast and Slow by Daniel Kahneman, and *The Undoing Project* by Michael Lewis

Monday, November 6, 2017

Kim, by Rudyard Kipling

Monday, December 4, 2017

Fifteen Dogs by André Alexis

Monday, January 8, 2018

The Meursault Investigation by Kamel Daoud

Monday, February 5, 2018

Hunger by Roxane Gay

Monday, March 5, 2018

In The Wake: On Blackness and Being by Christina Sharpe

Monday, April 9, 2018

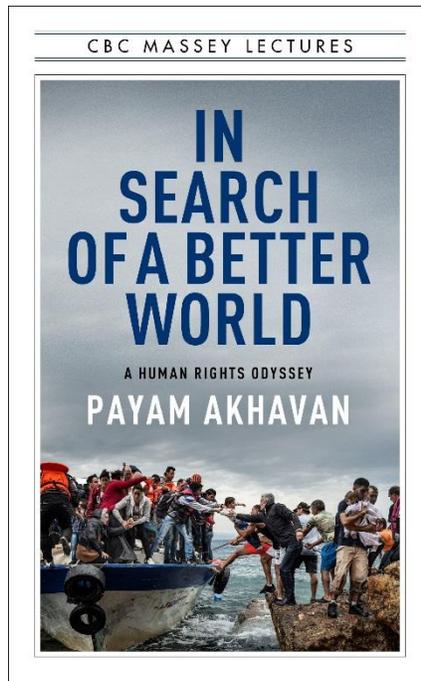
Scarborough by Catherine Hernandez



THE 2017 CBC MASSEY LECTURES

The 2017 CBC Massey Lectures are an essential analysis of the major human rights struggles of our times by internationally renowned human rights lawyer and former UN prosecutor Payam Akhavan.

A work of memoir, history, and a call to action, *In Search of a Better World*, the 2017 CBC Massey Lectures, are a powerful and essential work on the major human rights struggles of our times. In February of 2017, Amnesty International released their Annual Report for 2016 to 2017, concluding that the “us versus them” rhetoric increasingly employed by politicians is endangering human rights the world over. Renowned UN prosecutor and human rights scholar Payam Akhavan has encountered the grim realities of contemporary genocide throughout his life and career. He argues that deceptive utopias, political cynicism, and public apathy have given rise to major human rights abuses: from the religious persecution of Iranian Bahá'ís that shaped his personal life, to the horrors of ethnic cleansing in Yugoslavia, the genocide in Rwanda, and the rise of contemporary phenomena such as the Islamic State. But he also



reflects on the inspiring resilience of the human spirit and the reality of our inextricable interdependence to liberate us, whether from hateful ideologies that deny the humanity of others or an empty consumerist culture that worships greed and self-indulgence. A timely, essential, and passionate work of memoir and history, *In Search of a Better World* is a tour de force by an internationally renowned human rights lawyer.

PAYAM AKHAVAN is a Professor of International Law at McGill

University in Montreal, Canada, a Member of the International Court of Arbitration, and a former UN prosecutor at The Hague. He has served with the UN in conflict zones around the world, including Bosnia, Cambodia, Guatemala, Rwanda, and Timor Leste, and as legal counsel in landmark cases before the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Court, the European Court of Human Rights, and the Supreme Courts of Canada and the United States. Born in Tehran, Iran, Payam Akhavan migrated to Canada with his family in his childhood.

5 City Massey Lectures Tour

Lecture one: The Knowledge of Suffering - September 13 Yukon Arts Centre, Whitehorse, YT

Lecture two: The Pursuit of Global Justice - September 15 York Theatre, Vancouver, BC

Lecture three: The Will to Intervene - September 19 Centaur Theatre, Montreal, QC

Lecture four: The Oneness of Humankind - September 22 Cook Hall, Memorial University, St John's, NL

Lecture five: The Spirit of Human Rights - October 4 Koerner Hall Toronto, ON

MUSIC CLUB AT MASSEY

We would like to thank Iain Scott for his contribution to the Massey Opera Club over the past few years. Starting this September, Music Programming at Massey will be decided by committee consisting of Junior Fellows, Senior Fellows, Quadranglers and Alumni to be headed by Rick Phillips from Sound Advice. The dates for our Music Club evenings are listed below and each event will cover classical music in general, with the focus on important concerts playing in Toronto.

We'll be in touch soon with specific themes and programming. For 14 years, Rick Phillips was the Host and Producer of SOUND ADVICE®, the weekly guide to classical music and recordings, heard across Canada on CBC Radio One and CBC Radio Two every weekend. Rick was affiliated with CBC Radio for 30 years, working in Montreal, Edmonton, Calgary and Toronto in a career that spanned production to on-air to management. As well as broadcasting and webcasting, he is also a busy freelance writer and reviewer, lecturer, panel moderator, consultant, musical tour guide, artistic director and concert host. He's often a juror in the classical music categories for the Juno Awards, and is the author of The Essential Classical Recordings – 101 CDs published by McClelland & Stewart. He leads a variety of Music History & Appreciation courses at the University of Toronto, York University and other venues. He holds a B. Mus. from McGill University and a M. Mus. from the University of Toronto.

- Wednesday, October 18th
- Tuesday, November 14th
- Tuesday, January 23rd
- Monday, February 26th

MASTER'S SHERRY PARTY

The Master's annual Sherry Party will be
on
Tuesday, September 12th at 5pm in the
Junior Common Room

WILLIAM SOUTHAM

JOURNALISM FELLOWS

The list of William Southam Journalism Fellows is attached. These mid-career Journalists with outstanding experience in their fields, are a vital part of Massey's program. There will be an event here on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:45pm where they will be introduced to the community. You are welcome to join us for the event, and for dinner beforehand.

MASSEY COLLEGE BOOKS

House of Anansi Press. Massey College Books will be a newly created publishing imprint under the House of Anansi, dedicated to publishing books by writers who are members of the Massey College community.

House of Anansi Press will be the official publisher for Massey College, and Massey College will work in tandem with Anansi to solicit, select and publish works of nonfiction that will appeal to a wide commercial audience, between 50,000 and 100,000 words.

With initial publications slated for September 2019, we are now accepting submissions.

The detailed submission requirements are below:

We are looking for highly researched works that support strong ideas and arguments. We are not looking for academic or scholarly works, but ones that will interest general readers and experts alike.

Using our [online form](#) please send us the following:

1. A cover letter telling us about yourself and your book
2. A CV indicating your publishing history (if applicable)
3. A brief synopsis of your project
4. Your full or partial manuscript

The deadline for submissions is October 30, 2017.

Any and all questions should be directed to Emily Mockler (emockler@masseycollege.ca).

HAPPY WRITING!

GOWN RUN!

Our annual gown run that benefits the Scholars-at-Risk program is happening on Saturday October 21st. Registration and more details from our Massey Community Service Committee will be sent out in September.

SCHOLARS-AT-RISK

The Scholars-at-Risk program continues to make a difference in the lives of people who have come to Canada as refugees fleeing wars, political strife and/or human rights abuses in their home countries. Inaugurated in 1999, the program has assisted 21 scholars with at least two of these scholars completing their PhD and moving onto gainful employment in universities. Several of our Scholars have been in Masters programs at University of Toronto and others have taken up contractual assistant lectureships. One of our first scholars was the first refugee to be given a teaching position in the sciences in an east-end high school in Toronto. For those who are new to Massey College, you may be interested to know that the program is run in association with the School of Graduate Studies and was endowed by the Donner Canadian Foundation when the program replaced the Massey/PEN Writer-in-Exile. We will be welcoming three new scholars to the Massey College this year. Noura Al Jizawi, is pursuing a MGA at the Munk School, Mahshid Zandi who is completing a PhD with the Department for the Study of Religion and Mahdi Khajehim beginning in the PhD program with the Department of Medical Biophysics. For more information on the program, or if you are keen to get to know some of the Scholars, please contact Emily Mockler.

THE CHAPEL ROYAL

The College conducts several Christian and Jewish services during the academic year, as well as respecting certain key holy days associated with Islamic, Buddhist, and Hindu faiths. With the recent designation of St. Catherine's Chapel as an interfaith, interdenominational Chapel Royal, and our partnership with the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, you will see more programming reflecting these partnerships. If you would like to be added to the Chapel specific mailing list please let the Porter know porter@masseycollege.ca. Jewish services are held to celebrate both Chanukah and Passover.

THE PORTERS

Ms. Elizabeth (Liz) Hope is our Senior Porter, and works during the day, we are currently in the process of hiring a new evening Porter. Weekends are covered by Intelligarde Security. Our porters are the first point of contact when arriving at the College, if you leave any items behind at an event they would be the ones to contact.

WAYS TO KEEP IN TOUCH

General Inquiries

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Monday to Friday 8 am to 10 am

Saturday and Sunday 10 am to 6 pm

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Dining in Ondaatje Hall

BREAKFAST is served Monday to Friday from 7:30 to 9am, and on Saturdays from 9 to 9:30am. No reservations are necessary, but remember to sign a chit at the entrance to the Hall, and hand it to one of the servers. The Bursar's Assistant, Wing Lee, will bill you once a month.

LUNCH is served "cafeteria style" from 12:15 to 1:30pm every weekday and you may arrive whenever you want. No reservations are necessary, and you are welcome to bring guests. Again, simply sign one of the chits.

DINNER during term is formal, and you must reserve a seat with the Porter by 2pm the day of (416-978-2895 or porter@masseycollege.ca). You are welcome to bring guests. Menus are posted on our website weekly. The Common Room bar opens at 5pm, and you can take your drink up to dinner. Dinner starts promptly at 6:30pm. The Don of Hall (the elected Junior Fellow representative) is the host of dinners, except on High Table and Gaudy evenings, when the Master presides. If you come to dinner please make a point of introducing yourself to this year's Don of Hall, Benjamin Gillard. It is College etiquette to inform the Don of Hall if you have to leave the hall early, as he is required to say a Latin Grace before and after dinner.

The Private Dining Room

As an Alumnus/Alumna, you are able to reserve the Private Dining Room for any functions you might like to host. For information and costs associated, or any other room bookings, please contact our Catering Manager, Darlene Naranjo, at 416-978-2894 or dnaranjo@masseycollege.ca.