

25th annual wilderness & canoeing symposium

featuring numerous presentations on part IX of -

Northern Travels & Northern Perspectives

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DATES: • Friday Feb 5, 2010 evening 7 pm - 10 pm
 • Saturday Feb 6, 2010 all day 9 am - 9 pm

CO-SPONSOR: • Wilderness Canoe Association

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LOCATION: • Monarch Park Collegiate Auditorium, One Hanson St, Toronto

USE OFFICIAL • via wcsymposium.com • reserved seating
FORM • \$45 admission (until Jan 23) • meals extra

WEBSITE • For update information please see website - wcsymposium.com
INFORMATION • and the links that originate from there

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This year we again have a general theme. The presentations include tales of canoeing and wilderness experiences, historical and topographical perspectives, preservation concerns and other topics.

The aim of this annual mid-winter get-together in Toronto, our twenty-fifth to date, is to share an appreciation of our wilderness heritage in the fullest sense possible. This takes the form of presentations from individuals who reflect a broad mosaic of experiences, understanding and knowledge about the north and the out-of-doors. The website lists details for past programs and presenters - and so illustrates the nature of the mosaic.

Some years ago the theme was "Labrador". The year before "James Bay Watershed". In the prior two years the theme was "Arctic Travels & Arctic Cultures", and in 1997 it was "Historic Canoes & Historic Travels". In 1996 it was "Near Wilderness"; in 1995 "Northern Overview and Some Remarkable Journeys" and so on. The current general theme is inclusive of all of these landscapes.

The event begins Friday evening, February 5, 2010 with three extraordinary presenters, preceded and followed by time to socialize. Saturday is an all-day showing of 12 to 15 presentations, with breaks for refreshments, lunch, and supper. The event is not intended as a money-making venture. The registration fee will cover space and visual rentals for both days, organizing costs, printings, mailings, telephone, travel funds for speakers, etc. The registration fee also includes a reception on Friday and two coffee breaks on Saturday. The auditorium seats 806 and admission will be by reserved seating. Please read the instructions carefully and if possible register early.

Further WCS-2010 program details will be posted on the website as they become available.

Important Changes to 2010 Wilderness & Canoeing Symposium Registration

Program

This year we are sending out registration packages before the Wilderness Canoe Symposium program is actually finalized. George Luste is currently developing the program of speakers. As speakers are confirmed, updates to the program will be made available online. Updates will be posted regularly here: <http://www.wcsymposium.com/> under WCS2010.

Online Registration Available

This year we are offering the option of online registration here:

<http://www.wcsymposium.com/drupal-wcasymposium/>

To use the form, please login using these credentials:

Username: canoeing

Password: paddle

At this point in time, it is still necessary to send in your cheque by snail mail. By submitting the WCS form online, we will be able to assign your seats earlier & it will help to keep both our mailing costs & volunteer labour down. Please take advantage of the online option!!

Upon submitting the online registration, you will immediately receive an email confirming your registration with a registration number & a cheque amount. These should be transferred to your cheque.

Pickup of Registration Package

This year we will not be mailing out Seat Tickets & Meal Vouchers. Instead, check-in stations will be set up Fri. night & Sat. morning at the symposium entrance where you can pick up your registration package. If you registered a group, please make arrangements that only one person picks up the package for the whole group. You will be asked to sign for the receipt of your package. The finalized seating chart will be posted online at: [http://www.wcsymposium.com/PDF and other documents/Auditorium-seating.pdf](http://www.wcsymposium.com/PDF%20and%20other%20documents/Auditorium-seating.pdf)

Pricing

All Canadian prices will remain the same as last year. Because of the high & fluctuating value of the Canadian dollar, the US prices will be the same as the Canadian prices. All registrations received after Jan. 23, 2010 will be subject to a higher fee (see Registration Form for details). No refunds on cancellations after January 22, 2010.

**2010 Official Registration Form
Wilderness and Canoeing Symposium
Fri. Feb. 5 and Sat. Feb. 6 2010**

This registration form must be used to reserve seats and meals for the symposium. Payment in full (by cheque payable to "WCA Symposium") is required with this form. Please mail both form and cheque to:

**WCA SYMPOSIUM
PO BOX 211, STATION P
TORONTO ON M5S 2S7 CANADA**

Registration Package with Seats and Meal Tickets **will not be mailed out this year**, but will be available for pickup at the door. For questions on registration and seat assignments please email regquestions@wcsymposium.com.

Please fill out both Part 1 and Part 2. Part 1 will be used to generate address labels & Part 2 will be used to generate name tags, assign seats & arrange meals.

PART 1: CONTACT PERSON INFORMATION (All correspondence will be through Contact Person)

Contact Person: Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Mailing Address Line 1: _____

Mailing Address Line 2: _____

City: _____ **Province/State:** _____ **Postal/Zip Code:** _____ **Country:** _____

Telephone No. : _____

Email Address: _____

[] Please check here if you wish to receive forms for future symposia by email ONLY; this will save us postage and paper.

(Above information will not be shared with any other organization.)

No. of Persons in Party: _____

Special Requests (See Note 3): _____

Cheque enclosed for: \$ _____ **(See Part 2 for cost calculation)**
(Payable to WCA Symposium)

Notes:

1. If you are not a member of the Wilderness Canoe Association, please consider joining. Application forms are available at <http://wildernesscanoe.ca> and will also be available at the symposium.
2. **Cancellation Policy:** A full refund (both registration and meals) will be made if you notify us with the details by Friday, January 22, 2010 either via snail mail or email at Norbooks@interlog.ocom We regret that we cannot make refunds after this date.
3. **Special Requests:** We will attempt to assist those with hearing, sight & other disabilities, but please notify us early.
4. **Group Seating:** if you wish your group to be seated by another group, please have both groups make the request. We will wait until both applications are received before assigning seats.
5. Information on speakers, accommodation, etc will be posted at the symposium web site: www.WCSymposium.com

Last Name of Contact Person: _____

PART 2: REGISTRANTS, MEALS, COSTS

Instructions for filling out form:

Enter the names of **all** members of your party, including the contact person.
 If a child (12 and under) is being registered, please indicate by a **C** in the column.

Meals: Meals (offered Sat. only) are optional but must be ordered now. Please note that seating is limited. Lunch and dinner tickets will not be sold at the symposium by our staff but are often available privately.

Vegetarian meals are reserved solely for those who request them – please do not take a fellow paddler's meal!!

If you do not wish to order a meal, leave the cell blank. Otherwise indicate whether you prefer **R** – Regular or **V** – Vegetarian.

List of Registrants:

Last Name	First Name	Enter C for Child	Lunch (blank, R or V)	Dinner (blank, R or V)	Other Information (Optional)

Cost Calculation:

Item	No.	Cost (\$Can/US)	Total \$ (No. x Cost)
Registrations on or before Jan. 23		45.00	
Registrations after Jan. 23		70.00	
Child Registrations		25.00	
Lunches		9.50	
Dinners		13.50	
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE:			

Please enter the Total Amount Payable in the line "Cheque enclosed for: \$ _____ " in Part 1.