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Back (and) to the Future!

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Saturday, October 24, 2026

8:00 – 8:55AM *Lobby*	Breakfast and Check In
9:00 – 9:10AM *Auditorium*	*OPENING* Welcome & Acknowledgement **Stephen Reich, University of Toronto**
9:15 – 10:15AM *Auditorium*	*FIRESIDE CHAT* HxA Back and to the Future **Erec Smith, Cato Institute and York College of Pennsylvania**
10:15 – 10:45AM *Lobby*	Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:05PM *Auditorium*	*PANEL DISCUSSION* Decolonization: What Future is Envisioned for Past Harms? **Aaron Pete, Chief of Chawathil First Nation** **Tom Flanagan, University of Calgary** **Michael Young, University of Western Ontario** ***Moderated by Jonathan Kay, Quillette***
12:10 – 1:50PM *Nexus Lounge*	Lunch & the Spectrum Game
1:55 – 3:05PM *Auditorium*	*PANEL DISCUSSION* Stakeholders Session: Views from Beyond the Ivory Tower **David Arnold, TMX Group** **Terry Newman, National Post** **Gil Aharon, Rosalind Advisors** **Sarah Dotzert, Unify Canada** ***Moderated by Jonathan Kay, Quillette***
3:10 – 3:55PM *Auditorium*	Dangerous Ideas Course **Brad Epperly, University of British Columbia – Okanagan** **Renaud-Philippe Garner, University of British Columbia – Okanagan**
3:55 – 4:15PM *Lobby*	Afternoon Break

4:15 – 5:45PM *Auditorium*	*PANEL DISCUSSION* Has Heterodox Become an Anti-Woke Orthodoxy? **Michael Young, University of Western Ontario** **Neil McLaughlin, McMaster University** **Scott Davies, University of Toronto** **Andy Sellwood, Vancouver Community College** ***Moderated by Kelly Anthony, University of Waterloo***
6:00PM *Duke of York*	Cocktails and Dinner **39 Prince Arthur Ave, Toronto, ON M5R 1B2, Canada**

Sunday, October 25, 2026

8:00 – 8:55AM *Lobby*	Breakfast
9:00 – 9:30AM *Auditorium*	*PRESENTATION* The Need for Heterodox: Egregious Cases **Rebecca Tuvel, Rhodes College**
9:35 – 10:45AM *Auditorium*	*PANEL DISCUSSION* Voice from the Top: A Panel of University Senior Administrators **Rhonda Lenton, former President - York University** **Christine McWebb, Associate Vice-President, Faculty - University of Waterloo** **Craig Monk, Provost and Vice-President, Academic - MacEwan University** **Christopher Manfredi, former Provost - McGill University** ***Moderated by Stephen Reich, University of Toronto***
10:45 – 11:10AM *Lobby*	Coffee Break
11:10 – 12:10PM *Auditorium*	***PANEL DISCUSSION*** Moral Foundations of the University **David Haskell, Wilfrid Laurier University** **Sean Egan, University of Toronto** **Amar Murray, Businessman and podcaster on Middle East issues** ***Moderated by Geoff Horsman, Wilfrid Laurier University***
12:15 – 1:00PM *Auditorium*	***CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS*** What Counts as a Crisis? Viewpoint Diversity and the Canadian University **Christopher Dummitt, Trent University**