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**The Imaginary Indian**
The Images, Stereotypes and Perceptions of North American Indigenous Populations in Central Europe

August 29th to August 30th, 2018
Senate Chamber
Arts & Convocation Hall
University of Alberta
Wednesday, August 29th

Welcomes and Conference Opening Remarks - 9:45
Michael O'Driscoll – Vice Dean, Faculty of Arts
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SESSION 1 – 10:00 – 11:30
Friderik Baraga: Friend or Foe?
Kristof Jacek Kozak, Department of Slovenian Studies, University of Primorska, Koper, Slovenia

A Question of Identity in the Life and Works of Sat-Okh (Long Feather)
Milena Leszman, Ateneum-University in Gdańsk

“This most northerly countryman of ours:” Going Native in the Czech Way or the Northern Passage of Eskimo Welzl
Klara Kolinska, Metropolitan University Prague/Charles University Prague

Moderator: Katarina Zeravica, Academy of Arts and Culture, J.J. Strossmayer University in Osijek, Croatia

Lunch 11:45 – 12:30 – Student Lounge (Arts)

Lunchtime Keynote – 12:30 – 13:15 – Senate Chamber
“Pedagogies of Displacement: On ‘Playing Indian’ and Growing Up Queer”
Susanne Luhmann, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Women’s and Gender Studies

SESSION 2 – 13:30 – 15:00
Winnetou is still Alive: Indianthusiasm in the 21st Century
Nicole Perry, University of Auckland

First Nations Claims towards Poland and KGHM Polska Miedź S.A.
Michał Wiacek, Faculty of Law, University of Warsaw

Imaginary but Alive and Well: Stereotypical Images of Indigenous Peoples in Contemporary Czech Culture
Jana Maresova, Charles University, Prague

Moderator: C. Richard King, Professor of Comparative Ethnic Studies at Washington State University

Lunch 11:45 – 12:30 – Student Lounge (Arts)

Thursday, August 30th

SESSION 4 – 9:30 – 11:00
The Unchanged Representation of Native Americans: Winnetou Still Lives Here
Veronica Bosacova, Masaryk University, Brno

Unique Affinities: Literary Depictions of Poles Among the Indians
Marek Paryż, University of Warsaw

Native Americans in Alfred Szklarski’s Novels: Literary Image and Reception
Brygida Gasztold, Koszalin University of Technology, Poland

Moderator: Jana Maresova, Charles University, Prague

Lunch 11:15 – 12:00 (Senate Chamber Foyer)

Lunchtime Keynote – 12:00 – 12:45 – Senate Chamber
Replaying Indian: Indigenous Mascots in European Sport
C. Richard King, Professor of Comparative Ethnic Studies at Washington State University

SESSION 5 – 13:00 – 14:30
Playing Indian, An escape route from Socialist Hungary
Annamaria Vass, Institute of Slavic Studies, University of Debrecen

“We Were Indians First, Before We Became Croats”: Playing Indian in Central Europe
Sanja Runtic, University of Osijek, Croatia

Thick Description of an “Indian War Game”. The Case of Tamás Cseh (Smoke-in-the-Eye)
Gyöngyi Heltai (PhD) Hungarian Visiting Professor, University of Alberta

Moderator: Roger Epp, Professor and Director, UAlberta North, Arts (Political Science)

Break 14:30 -14:45

Friday, August 31st

Lunch 12:30 - 13:30 - Faculty Club (Participants ONLY)

KEDL Exhibit Opening – 14:30 pm – Old Arts Foyer

Wirth 20th Anniversary Banquet - 19:00 - 22:00
Muttart Conservatory (Participants ONLY)