COLONIAL GENOCIDE AND INDIGENOUS NORTH AMERICA
INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP
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OPENING EVENT: Keynote Address on Residential Schools and the Question of Genocide
Thursday, September 20 (2:30-4:30pm)
Marshall McLuhan Hall, University Centre, University of Manitoba
Reception to follow

Keynote Speakers:
Justice Murray Sinclair
Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada
Theodore Fontaine
Residential School Survivor and author of Broken Circle: The Dark Legacy of Indian Residential Schools (2010, Heritage Press).
Daniel Paul
Mi’Kmaq Elder and Historian, author of We Were Not the Savages (Fernwood Books)

In the workshop “Colonial Genocide and Indigenous North America” researchers from Canada, the USA, and Europe will discuss various destructive aspects of the colonization and subsequent settlement of North America. Massacres, residential/boarding schools, land appropriation, the collapse of the buffalo and other species, disease spread, forced sterilization, and forced political restructuring will all be examined through the lens of genocide -- namely, what impact did these events, individually or combined, have on the ability of Indigenous groups to survive as groups? And what can be done today to redress and educate non-Indigenous North Americans about these harms? These questions will be addressed by experts from a variety of disciplines (History, Anthropology, Sociology, Political Studies, Law, Conflict Resolution, and Native Studies), who will assess not only the historical record of these events, but also what they mean for current and future Indigenous/non-Indigenous relations in North America.

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