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KUNISADA Gototei
(Toyokuni III, 1788-1864)
Kabuki Actor, ca 1820

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Friday, October 4, 1996

- 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m. Registration: Lobby of the Theatre Auditorium, McNally Building
- 2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Welcome: President Kenneth Ozmon (Saint Mary's University)
Theatre Auditorium (All conference activities will be in this venue)
- 2:30 - 5:00 p.m. Session I: Politics and National Strategy
- Chair: James Morrison (Saint Mary's University)
- Agar Adamson,
(Acadia University) "Japanese Electoral and Party Reform: Fact or Fiction".
- Ken Henshall,
(Waikato University,
New Zealand) "Successism in the Postmodern Age: A New Type of Challenge
for Japan".
- Laure Paquette,
(Lakehead University) "Japanese National Values and National Strategy".
- Paul Parker
(Waterloo University) "Environmental Changes, Challenges and Choices: Japanese
Politics and Performance toward 2000".
- Klaus Pringsheim
(Canada-Japan
Trade Council) "Coalition Governments in Japan, 1993-1996".
- Discussant: John Stanton (Mount Allison University)
- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Reception: City Hall, Grand Parade, Halifax
- Evening: Free

Saturday, October 5, 1996

8:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Late Registration
8:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Session 2: Japan in the World: Politics
Chair:	Edna Keeble (Saint Mary's University)
Robert Boardman (Dalhousie University)	"Japan and the Future of the United Nations".
John Brownlee (University of Toronto)	"The Tokyo War Crimes Trail, Fifty Years Later".
Kamon Pensrinukun (Independent Scholar)	"Thai-Japanese Wartime Relations: Alliance of a Kind".
Discussant:	Wenran Jiang (University of Alberta)
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Session 3: Japan in the World: Technology and Trade
Chair:	Norman Okahiro (Mount Saint Vincent University)
Carin Holroyd (Waikato University, New Zealand)	"Culture, Commerce, and Government: The Prospect for Canada-Japan Trade and Investment in the 21st Century".
Laura Porras and Dennis Dicks (Concordia University)	"Technology Transfer from Japan to Mexico".
Alan Ross (Independent Scholar)	"Does the AT&T-ization of Japanese Telecommunications Men New Trade Opportunities for Canada?"
Xiaojie Yang (University of Calgary)	"Does Cyberspace Educate?: Japanese Universities on the Web".
Discussant:	Ted English (Carleton University)
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Luncheon (on campus)
1:15 - 3:15 p.m.	Session 4: Economy and Policy
Chair	Andrew Harvey (Saint Mary's University)

- Dick Beason
(University of Alberta)
and D. Weinstein
(Harvard University) "Evaluating Industrial Policy in Japan During the Post-War Period: Lessons for the Future".
- Alan Hedley
(University of Victoria) "Measuring the Information Society: Japan and the G-7 Nations".
- Tadashi Okudaira
(Hokkaido Kyoiku
Daigaku, Hakodate) "Recent Economic Problems in Hokkaido and How to Improve Them".
- Dick Beason
(University of Alberta)
and Dennis Patterson
(Michigan State University) "The Political Economy of Fiscal Stimulus Packages During the Heisei Recession in Japan".
- Discussant: Sonya Novkovic (Saint Mary's University)
- 3:15 - 3:30 p.m. Coffee Break
- 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Annual General Meeting of the JSAC.
- 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Banquet (Multi Purpose Room)
Banquet Speaker: Yuji Kurokawa (Consul-General, Montreal)
"Emerging Japan-Canada Cooperation at the United Nations".
- Sunday, October 6, 1996**
- 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Session 5: Business
- Chair/Discussant Herman Schwind (Saint Mary's University)
- Sandra Dow
(Université du Québec
à Montréal), Jean McGuire
(Concordia University) "Performance and Financing Differences Between Japanese and U.S. Firms".
- Julia Harkola and Arent Greve (Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration) "Technology Diffusion and the Social Network in a "Big Five" Construction Firm".
- Akira Kubota
(Windsor University) "The Role of Big Business in the 21st Century Japan".
- Victor Ujimoto
(University of Guelph) "Changes, Challenges, and Choices in the Japanese Aviation Industry".

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Session 6: Society
Chair:	John Lee (Saint Mary's University)
Owen Griffiths (Chiba)	"War Responsibility and the Reconstruction of Self and Society in Early Post-War Japan".
Tadao Miyamoto and Joseph Kess (University of Victoria)	"Japanese Psycholinguistics: Its Contemporary Focus and Its Future Directions".
Yuko Shibata (University of British Columbia)	"Lives in Progress: Japanese Canadian Women".
Discussant:	Charles Beaupré (Saint Mary's University)
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	Luncheon (Obento)
1:15 - 3:00 p.m.	Session 7: Employment and Leisure
Chair:	Gene Barrett (Saint Mary's University)
Andrew Harvey (Saint Mary's University)	"Perspectives on the Use of Time in Japan and Canada".
Michinori Hirata (Hiroshima Daigaku) and Masakazu Yano (Tokyo Kogyo Daigaku)	
Yasuhide Tanaka (University of Kobe) and Keizo Nagatani (University of British Columbia)	"Changing Japanese Wage and Employment Patterns".
Beverly Lee (Hiroshima Women's University)	"New Challenges and Some Choices for Japanese Working Women: Winds of Change or Just Wind?"
Discussant:	Ather Akbari (Saint Mary's University)
3:00 p.m.	Closing

Program Chairs: Hugh Millward, Geography Department,
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Saint Mary's University

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