

The O'Brien Foundation News

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for a Healthy and Happy New Year Joyeux Noël et Bonne Année



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It's with heavy hearts and great sadness that the family of Dr. Nicole Bourque announces her sudden and unexpected passing at her home in Glasgow, Scotland.

Nicole was born in Fredericton to George and Julia Bourque on July 25th, 1966. She graduated from Fredericton High School in 1984 and went to the University of New Brunswick where she completed a degree in Anthropology with First Class Honours. Her outstanding scholarship earned her a prestigious Commonwealth Scholarship which funded her pursuit of a PhD at the University of Cambridge (Girton College). She won an O'Brien Foundation award to fund her fieldwork in Ecuador which resulted in her outstanding thesis "Of Soups, Saints and Sucres".

She received her PhD in 1993 and joined the faculty in the School of Social and Political Sciences at the University of Glasgow, where she spent her whole career, her final position being that of Senior Lecturer in Social Anthropology.

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION New Selection Committee Member



Dr. Mary Lou Babineau
B.A. Queen's University
M.A. Arizona State University
Ph.D. Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

Mary Lou Babineau was born in Minto, New Brunswick. She is an Associate Professor at St. Thomas University.

Mary Lou grew up in a bilingual family in Minto attending École Sainte-Anne in Fredericton. She received the Lester B. Pearson Scholarship from the Province of New Brunswick in 1990, and obtained an International Baccalaureate from Pearson College in Victoria, B.C. She then completed a Bachelor of Arts Degree at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, and a Ph.D. in Spanish and Latin American literature at Arizona State University.

After returning to New Brunswick in 2003, Mary Lou became a full-time faculty member at St. Thomas where she teaches Spanish language and literature, does research on national and cultural identity in Caribbean literature, and serves on numerous University committees. She has served as Chair of the United Way Campaign at St. Thomas and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Fredericton Emergency Shelters. She is currently completing her third year as President of St. Thomas University's Faculty Union.

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Senate External Evaluation Committee

-Member 2016

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION The Wedding of Teresa Devor and Jason Hall



Congratulations Teresa Devor and Jason Hall!

Jason Hall received an O'Brien Foundation Fellowship in July, 2015. He also received the Alumni Fellowship Award that year. This year on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 Teresa Devor received an O'Brien Foundation Fellowship. On Saturday, July 23, 2016 Teresa and Jason were married.

Incidentally, they both are doing Doctoral Studies at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton.

Jason has already completed his dissertation and has it published. It is 451 pages and titled River of Three Peoples An Environmental and Cultural History of the W Last W/ Rivière St. Jean / St. John River, C. 1550 – 1850.



Proud mother, Mary Hall, holding Jason's O'Brien Fellowship Certificate and Jason, holding the O'Brien Alumni Certificate, share this special occasion with LG Jocelyn Roy Vienneau, Teresa Devor, Jason's partner, and Teresa's parents, Margaret and Phil Devor.

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Dr. Krista Byers-Heinlein (2008)



Krista Byers-Heinlein

PhD Concordia University Research Chair in Bilingualism Associate Professor of Psychology Centre for Research in Human Development

Dr. Krista Byers-Heinlein is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Concordia University, where she directs the Concordia Infant Research Lab. Krista Graduated from Fredericton High School in 1999, and received her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Computer Science from McGill University in 2003. From 2004-2010, she pursued graduate studies in Developmental Psychology at the University of British Columbia, and with the support of the O'Brien Foundation fellowship (2008), received her MA and PhD degrees.

Krista's research focuses on bilingualism in infancy: how young infants hearing two languages from birth successfully acquire their languages. She has investigated questions such as how prenatal exposure to two

languages affects infants' listening preferences at birth, and how bilingual 1-year-olds learn new words. Part of her interest in bilingualism stems from her childhood growing up in New Brunswick and attending French Immersion school.

She has published widely in academic journals including as Psychological Science, Cognition, and Bilingualism: Language and Cognition. She had received provincial and federal grants to support her research, and numerous awards including most recently the Society for Research on Child Development Outstanding Dissertation Award (2011), the Desjardins Chercheur étoile ("Star, Researcher") award in 2011, and the Concordia Media Outreach Award for Research Communicator of the Year (2012).

Krista's work garners wide public interest, and has been featured in media outlets including TIME magazine, the Globe & Mail, le Devoir, Today's Parent, Psychology Today, and CBC's As It Happens.



THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Dr. Timothy J. Doherty (1991)



Dr. Timothy Doherty (1991) MD, PhD, FRCP(C)

Associate Professor Chair/Chief Western University Neuromuscular Disease, Electromyography, Stroke Rehabilitation

Dr. Doherty completed an undergraduate degree in Physical Education (University of New Brunswick, 1986) and graduate degrees in Kinesiology (MSc Dalhousie 1989, PhD Western 1993) prior to completing undergraduate medicine at McMaster. He went on to complete residency training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at McMaster (2000). He is an Associate Professor and Chair/Chief of the Department of PM&R. He is a consultant physiatrist at both St. Joseph's Health Care and LHSC. He was awarded as Canada Research Chair in Neuromuscular Function in Health, Aging, and Disease in 2005.

Dr. Doherty is a past President of the Canadian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, examiner for the Canadian Society of Clinical Neurophysiology, Associate Scientist at the Lawson Health Research Institute and is member of the Editorial Boards of Muscle and Nerve, American Journal of PM&R and the Journal of Clinical Neuromuscular Disease. Dr. Doherty is a consultant physiatrist in the Stroke Rehabilitation Program at Parkwood Hospital and a Clinical Electromyographer. He provides consultation service within the Neuromuscular Program at LHSC.

Dr. Doherty's research interests are broadly in the area of neuromuscular function in health, ageing, and disease. He holds research funding from CIHR and NSERC. Specific interests include age-related changes in the human neuromuscular system, quantitative EMG techniques and EMG signal processing, clinical and electrophysiological features of peripheral nerve disease and injury, neuromuscular factors influencing impairment and disability in arthritis, and therapeutic interventions to ameliorate disability in ageing and neuromuscular disorders. Dr. Doherty supervises students in the graduate program in Kinesiology and the graduate program in Neurosciences.

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THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Peter W. H. Pacey (1979)



Fredericton Playhouse honours Peter Pacey with The Playhouse Honours

1979 recipient has mentored hundreds of young artists through work with Calithumpians Theatre Company

Fredericton theatre mainstay Peter Pacey has received the Playhouse Honours from the Fredericton Playhouse.

The veteran actor, producer and director is perhaps best known for founding Fredericton's Calithumpians Theatre Company, an entertainment and educational group that has put on free, live theatre and historic walking tours for 35 years.

"My research work into New Brunswick Literature in 1979, which was funded in part by a grant from the O'Brien Foundation was a major inspiration for the Calithumpians. To be awarded this grant at a time when I was striking out on my and leaving the security of a full time teaching position was pivotal in the path that I chose. I will be forever grateful to J Leonard O'Brien for his generosity and foresight to set up a funding process to support aspiring New Brunswickers to follow their dreams. This seed funding encouraged me take the road less travelled. "

- Peter Pacey

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Dr. Shelley Doucet (2009)

Dr. Shelley Doucet (2009) named Jarislowsky Chair in Interprofessional Patient-Centred Care

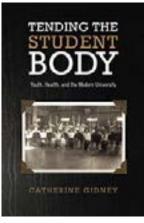
The University of New Brunswick is changing the way people look at health-care through the new Jarislowsky Chair in Interprofessional Patient-Centred Care. The chair, located at UNB Saint John, will be held by assistant professor Dr. Shelley Doucet (BN'05, PhD'10) of the faculty of science, applied science and engineering.

Dr. Doucet will lead an ongoing research initiative aimed at developing and evaluating new interprofessional community-based primary health-care models that are patient-centred.



Dr. David Burns, Vice-President (Research); Mr. Michael Doyle, Governor, Sir James Dunn Foundation; Dr. Bruno Battistini, CEO, NBHRF; Dr. Shelley Doucet, Jarislowsky Chair in Interprofessional Patient-Centred Care; Dr. Roy Heenan, Director, The Jarislowsky Foundation; Dr. Robert MacKinnon, Vice-President Saint John





Dr. Catherine Gidney

Catherine is a former Chair of the Selection Committee of the O'Brien Foundation. She was helpful in the design of the Evaluation Criteria that is currently being used and in the modification of the Application Form and Application Process. Catherine has a new book. She has been Adjunct Professor of History at St. Thomas since 2004. Her research focuses primarily on the history of education and youth culture in Canada.

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Dr. J. David Miller (1978)

TENDING THE STUDENT BODY: YOUTH, HEALTH, AND THE MODERN UNIVERSITY





Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Synergy Award

Professor Miller received his secondary education at the University of New Brunswick, before studying at the University of Portsmouth in England, where he was also a NATO Science Postdoctoral Fellow. His post-university career at Agriculture Canada in 1982, and became head of the *Fusarium* mycotoxin program in 1988. He became a Professor and then NSERC Research Chair at Carleton University in 2000.

In the forests of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec, and New England, a pest called the spruce budworm has long been enacting a quiet takedown that threatens to destroy the natural landscape and devastate communities dependent on forestry. Most recently causing damage to over four million hectares in Quebec, the budworm munches its way through a tree's needles, and produces larvae which continue its legacy until whole forests, along with the wildlife that call them home, are destroyed.

Fortunately, today's budworm faces a threat of its own in the form of natural toxins produced by fungi (also called endophytes) that live within conifer needles. Or when you consider the toxins have always been there, you might say the threat is Carleton chemistry professor Dr.J. David Miller, who has devoted decades to identifying which endophytes best repel the budworm without harm to the tree. Now his efforts have been recognized by the prestigious NSERC Synergy Award, just the latest of many grants and awards.

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Congratulations



John H. Noseworthy, M.D. (1979)

CEO and President, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota John H. Noseworthy, M.D., joined the board in 2009. Dalhousie University; Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada; University of Western Ontario; Harvard Medical School; Professor of Neurology, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine; Consultant, Department of Neurology, 1992-present; Department Chair, 1997-2006; Editor-in-Chief, Neurology, 2007-2009; Vice Chair, Mayo Clinic Rochester Executive Board, 2006-2009; Medical Director for Development, 2006-2009. President and CEO, Mayo Clinic



Dr. Carmen Poulin Associate Dean of Arts / Professor of Psychology - University of New Brunswick Carmen was former Board Chair from 2010-2012.

THE O'BRIEN FOUNDATION Something New to Consider



There is a new way to make donations to the O'Brien Foundation. Rather than writing one cheque for a significant amount how about making donations on a monthly basis or bi-monthly? Here's how!

- 1. Go to any TD Canada Trust Branch with a void cheque (or direct deposit form). This has all your account details as a prospective donor.
- 2. Instruct TD Canada Trust to make periodic transfers from your account to The O'Brien Foundation account **5080 5236111.** This is done at the teller and they have a special form that you get a copy of for your records.

The frequency of the payments is very flexible and can be changed later at any branch (as can the donation amount). There is no charge by TD for the set up or transfers.

When you do this, send me an e-mail. (drbmillr@nbnet.nb.ca) I'll monitor our TD Canada Trust Account so I can send you an Income Tax receipt at the end of the year. I'll also send you notes as donations are made just to give you the confidence that everything is going as it should.

One of our Alumni Members, Glen Pugh (2000) is already doing this and is very satisfied with this new initiative. We are most appreciative of this kind of donation.

We gratefully acknowledge the support of our Alumni & Friends

The O'Brien Foundation is a humanitarian trust operated exclusively for educational purposes. Donations are welcome from any persons or organizations wishing to assist promising students and artists to develop their knowledge and skills through advanced study.

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