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Join Us in Celebrating 50 Years at CCPA's 2015 Annual Conference

Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association headed to Niagara Falls
from May 19-22, 2015

OTTAWA (April 8, 2015) Join delegates from around the country including counsellors, psychotherapists, educators and health agencies, to discuss their 'journeys' in the countless thought-provoking sessions offered as the Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association (CCPA) celebrates 50 years in Niagara Falls, Ontario this May 19-22, 2015. This site is particularly significant as Niagara Falls was the location of the very first CCPA conference in 1965.

The CCPA 2015 National Conference will have an over-arching theme of "Communicate, Connect, Collaborate". This conference is the largest gathering of counsellors and psychotherapists in Canada, providing opportunities to share information and training techniques, and to connect and network with other health professionals. The conference will facilitate the professional development of mental health practitioners, promote the exchange of theory and research in counselling and psychotherapy and encourage the exchange of ideas and information between delegates. The conference will include four keynote speakers, twenty exhibitors and over 80 concurrent sessions.

Keynote speakers include:

- **Dr. Donald Meichenbaum**, Ph.D. , is a Distinguished Professor Emeritus from the University of Waterloo, Ontario from which he took early retirement 18 years ago. He is presently Research Director of the Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention in Miami, Florida, which has had over two million HITS worldwide this year).He is one of the founders of cognitive behavior therapy and in a survey of clinicians reported in the American Psychologist, he was voted "one of the ten most influential psychotherapists of the 20th century". He has published extensively and his latest book is 'Roadmap to Resilience'.
- **Cathy A. Malchiodi**, PhD, LPCC, LPAT, ATR-BC, is the Founder and Director of the Trauma-Informed Practices and Expressive Arts Therapy Institute, Adjunct Professor at Lesley University and President of Art Therapy without Borders. Cathy is a Board-Certified and Licensed Professional Art Therapist, Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor, Registered Expressive Arts Therapist and research psychologist with more than 25 years of experience in arts-based trauma intervention, medical art therapy and integrative approaches to health and wellness.
- **Dr. Égide Royer** is a psychologist and full professor of special education at the Faculté des sciences de l'éducation of Université Laval. His work currently focuses on keeping children from failing in school or dropping out, intervention in class to address behavioural issues and development of social skills among troubled youth
- **Dr. Rod McCormick** is Mohawk (Kaniienkehake) and a full professor and British Columbia (BC) Government research chair in Aboriginal health at Thompson Rivers University in Kamloops, BC. Rod joined CCPA (then CGCA) back in the mid 80's and was the first Aboriginal counsellor to receive the designation Canadian Certified Counsellor.

[Exhibitors](#) are also invited to network with the over 450 delegates expected to attend. Exhibitors are welcome to attend the workshops and educational sessions and learn about the latest developments across the country.

To register simply visit: <http://www.ccpa-accp.ca/conference/registration.php>

CCPA is looking forward to seeing you in Niagara Falls this May!

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The Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association (CCPA) is a national bilingual association providing professional counsellors and psychotherapists with access to exclusive educational programs, certification, professional development and direct contact with professional peers and specialty groups. CCPA promotes the profession and its contribution to the mental health and well-being of all Canadians.

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