

Call for Presentation Proposals



Telling Time(s)

A multi-disciplinary series of lightning talks and roundtable discussion

11 February, 2027/4:30PM-8PM/WILD ROSE BREWERY

"People assume that time is a strict progression of cause to effect, but actually from a non-linear, non-subjective viewpoint - it's more like a big ball of wibbly wobbly... time-y wimey... stuff."

– Doctor Who

We lose time, waste time, find time, make time, and run out of time. Time is the essential, inevitable frame of our experience. We privilege our own times, and are excited about the prospect of traveling through time. Truth is the daughter of time, in time we forget, and we find meaning in change over time. We read the signs of the times, we hope for change in time, and we value the timeless. Time is a vessel of hope, and of regret.

There is necessarily a temporal dimension in all of our teaching and scholarship. *Phoenix Rising - Telling Time(s)* will explore the vast array of meanings in time and the power of time to shape and change the individual, the community, and the World. You are invited to present a seven-minute lightning talk that explores the ways that time configures, informs, or is the subject of your work. What insights, delights, lessons, or warnings emerge through the lens of time in your studies or creative work?

Possible themes might include but are not restricted to:

- The nature of Time itself
- The experience of Time
- The passage of Time
- Stories of good Times

- Lessons of bad Times
- Time as thief
- Thieves of Time
- When Time was a gift
- The measuring of Time
- Being in Time
- Being out of Time
- Time travel
- Places through Time
- The Timeless
- Timely tales
- Procrastination
- The living by the clock
- Time across cultures
- Depictions of Time
- The cost of Time

Lightning talks will be approximately seven minutes each, with a moderated Q and A following the panel.

If you would like to propose a presentation for this event, [please click here](#) and provide a brief (150 words) description on the subject of your proposed presentation. The organizing committee would like to include as many presentations as possible, but if it becomes necessary to select a feasible number of speakers for the event, the selection will be done by a blind review of proposals.

Submission Deadline: Thursday, January 7, 2027

If you would like further information, please contact the Phoenix Rising working group Chair, Tamara Jenkins (TJenkins@mtroyal.ca).