

# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI/AE AWARD

2012 Recipient, The Rev. Dr. C. Douglas Jay, C.M., M.A.,  
M.Div., Ph.D., D.D.

C. Douglas Jay Vic 4T6, Emm 5T0 is one of Canada's most respected theological educators, one of the few appointed to the Order of Canada. His contributions to teaching, social justice, intellectual inquiry and interfaith cooperation have all been invaluable.



Jay was born shortly after the birth of the United Church itself. His father, a Methodist minister, had been educated at Vic and it seemed natural for the younger Jay to follow in his father's footsteps, earning a degree in philosophy and history during the war years.

In 1955, Jay joined the Emmanuel faculty as a professor of religious philosophy and ethics. There he stayed until his retirement 20 years ago.

Jay is known as the Founding Director of the Toronto School of Theology. The school persists to this day, and is remarkable not only for the breadth of its ecumenical spectrum, but also for its association with the University of Toronto.

Jay returned to Emmanuel to serve as principal from 1981 to 1990 and was named Principal Emeritus in 2010.

Jay was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his continued devotion to providing interfaith understanding and cooperation.

**Please join us at the Distinguished Alumni/ae Award Luncheon on April 16, 2013 as we honour C. Douglas Jay.**

## About the Award

The Emmanuel College Distinguished Alumni/ae Award was created by the ECAA in 2008. It is given annually to recognize graduates whose vision and leadership have distinguished them through extraordinary ministry to the church, academy, or society at large.

## REGISTRATION FEE

Full, two-day programme	\$125.00
One-day programme	\$75.00
Student rate (full programme)	\$50.00
Distinguished Alumni/ae Award Luncheon only on April 16 (included in full- or one-day registration fee)	\$25.00

## HOW TO REGISTER

### By Mail:

Complete the enclosed registration form and mail, with payment, to:

Emmanuel College Alumni Office  
Victoria University  
73 Queen's Park Crescent  
Toronto ON M5S 1K7

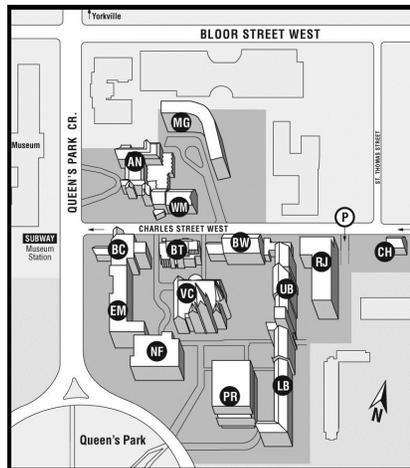
### By Fax:

Complete the enclosed registration form, including payment information, and fax to:

(416) 585-4594

### On-line:

Visit the on-line registration page at:  
<http://my.alumni.utoronto.ca/emmdays2013>



EM = Emmanuel College; VC = Victoria College  
All day, on-campus parking may be purchased at the Front Desk of Margaret Addison Hall, MG, 140 Charles Street West.

### Reasonably priced hotels close by:

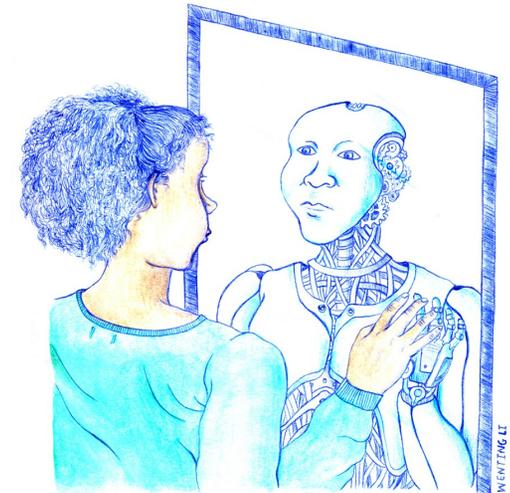
Howard Johnson, 89 Avenue Road, (416) 924-1220  
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Holiday Inn Bloor Yorkville, 280 Bloor Street West, (416) 968-0100



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## Emmanuel Days 2013

# The Rise of the Post-Human: Where Is The Gospel?



April 16 and 17, 2013

Emmanuel College

75 Queen's Park Crescent  
Toronto, Ontario

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On behalf of the Emmanuel College Alumni/ae Association I would like to welcome you to this year's edition of Emmanuel Days on April 16 and 17. I hope you are able to participate in what is expected to be an eye-opening and thought provoking programme. The ever-expanding realm of post-humanism is having an effect in many facets of human life, including the Church and its mission. It truly is a gift to have a place like Emmanuel College where the challenge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ meets the passion of academic crucible.

I also hope that you see Emmanuel Days as a time to deepen your relationship with this important institution in the University of Toronto community. You may be an old friend of the College or you may be a newcomer, it makes no difference, please come and please include others who may wish to join us. Come and celebrate as we honour our Distinguished Alumni/ae Award Recipient, C. Douglas Jay and welcome Dr. Elaine Graham, our special guest, and as we listen to panel members and each other in conversation. Come to Emmanuel as we seek to gather, learn and grow in wisdom and in faith together. All are invited and welcome to attend. We hope to see you on April 16 and 17!

Dale Skinner Emm OT3  
President, ECAA Executive

### The Rise of the Post-Human: Where Is The Gospel?

Finding their way into the narratives of video games, hit television series and blockbuster movies, images of the post-human are fast becoming a part of our cultural milieu. Imagined and suspected evolutions of the human form are all around us. From the rise of the machines through recent advances in robotics and cybernetics, to the rise of zombies, vampires and comic book superheroes in cinema and fiction, many of us have witnessed representations of the post-human and perhaps never realized it.

The rise of the post-human represents a new age for us, our children and future generations. These images of the post-human shape the way we relate to each other, the things we value, what we believe and our understanding of what it means to be human. Is there more to this reality than just an "us vs. them" mentality where "human" is pitted against ones who are "less than human?" What might the rise of the post-human say to us about current social realities and human relationships? Is Jesus Christ in the mix? Where is the Gospel?

## Our Speakers

### Keynote Speaker: Elaine Graham

Dr. Elaine Graham is Grosvenor Professor of Practical Theology at the University of Chester, U.K. Prior to that she was Samuel Ferguson Professor of Social and Pastoral Theology at the University of Manchester.

She has written extensively in areas such as gender and pastoral care; practical theology; technology and popular culture; urban theology; and religion, culture and media.

She is the author of "Making the Difference: Gender, Personhood and Theology" (1995), "Transforming Practice: Pastoral Theology in an Age of Uncertainty" (1996), "Representations of the Post/Human" (2002) and "Words Made Flesh: Writings in Pastoral and Practical Theology" (2009).

With Heather Walton and Frances Ward she wrote, "Theological Reflection: Methods" (SCM, 2005) and with Stephen Lowe, "What Makes a Good City? Public Theology and the Urban Church" (2009).

She is a former president of the International Academy of Practical Theology. Her next book, "Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Public Theology in a Post-Secular Age" will be published this September by SCM Press.



### Moderator: Jesse Went

Jesse Went is the head of film programmes at TIFF Bell Lightbox. His responsibilities include film scheduling, programming new releases and overseeing series and TIFF Cinematheque programming. Some of his contributions to programming since the opening of TIFF Bell Lightbox in September



2010 include retrospectives on Roman Polanski, Bernardo Bertolucci, Ousmane Sembène and Studio Ghibli. The landmark film programme "First Peoples Cinema: 1500 Nations, One Tradition" and its accompanying gallery exhibition "Home on Native Land", opened in Summer of 2012. Jesse spent a decade as the film critic on CBC's Metro Morning and has been a regular guest on "Q", CBC Radio's national arts and culture show and on TVO's "Saturday Night at the Movies."

### Panelist: Erin Green

Erin Green Emm OT7, is a PhD candidate at Emmanuel College. Her dissertation research focuses on the impact of the rise of robotics and artificial intelligence on theological anthropology and gives particular attention to issues related to human uniqueness and embodiment. She holds a Master of Divinity from Emmanuel, a Master of Arts from University of St. Michael's College, and a Bachelor of Science from Mount Allison University. Erin will serve on the panel on Wednesday's programme.

### Panelist: Neil Young

Neil Young Emm 8T6, was born the year the first mammals (mice) were grown from embryos developed in vitro and transferred to a surrogate mother. He has never been abducted by aliens, but has talked to a church-member who has been. He has no implants of any kind in his body (that he knows-of). One of his young daughters likes 'The Walking Dead', another was quite taken indeed with 'The Twilight Series'—he wonders what this all might mean. Only one member of his current congregation has played a zombie in a film. All this to say that he finds that all the issues to be addressed in this program are extant and current in the life of the local congregation. Neil will serve on the panel in Wednesday's programme.

## PROGRAMME

Tuesday, April 16 - 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Continental Breakfast in Emmanuel College, Room 119

- Morning Worship
- Keynote Address by Dr. Elaine Graham
- Distinguished Alumni/ae Award Presentation and Luncheon at 12:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall
- Workshops
- Evening Film Viewing (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, April 17 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- Panel Discussion, moderated by Jesse Went
- Worship in Emmanuel College Chapel
- Lunch and Annual General Meeting

Full programme details available at:  
[www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca/alumni/emmanueldays.htm](http://www.emmanuel.utoronto.ca/alumni/emmanueldays.htm)