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Ghadar Centennial Conference 1913 Interpreting Ghadar: Echoes of Voices Past

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CALL FOR PAPERS

Ghadar Literature and Revolution

Research papers are welcome that explore the area of literature created and dedicated to the nationalist revolutionary movement of the Ghadar in Canada and the US at the turn of the last century. Papers that analyze both the propaganda machine of the colonial powers specific to Ghadar, and/or the revolutionary voices of the Ghadarite aspirations of a free India are welcome. Studies of pro-Indian independence materials include newspapers, pamphlets, correspondence, photographs, and transcripts of interviews, posters, letters, handbills, magazine articles, lectures, theses, bibliographies, court documents and revolutionary poems are welcome. We will also accept papers on responses to literature written on the Ghadar.

Colonialism and Social Justice

Papers are welcome that explore the support given to the Ghadar revolutionary movement in the west (e.g. by the Irish and Germans) and in the east (e.g., in Japan, China, Singapore, etc.) and the impact of this support on the British raj in India. As a movement of social justice, the Ghadar was an anomaly as it also demanded transnational social and cultural transformation in these countries. This transnational movement took its egalitarian and secular struggle to India – hoping to transform both the colonial powers and India's segregated communities, resulting in martyrdom, prison and exile for many.

Negotiating Transnational Historiographies

Papers are welcome on the historiographies of transnational movements related to the Ghadar outside India and North America (e.g., Shanghai, Singapore, Hong Kong, Manila, Berlin, Panama, etc.). Many local and global sites of resistance against the colonists (e.g. in Abbotsford, Astoria, San Francisco, Punjab, Hong Kong, Vancouver, etc.) informed the development of this transnational movement's genesis in exile, yet it impacted India until partition.

Call for Papers Deadlines:

Paper proposals	June 15	300 words
Final Papers	Sept 30	4,000 - 5000 words

Please send proposals to: satwinder.bains@ufv.ca or for more information call 604-854-4547.

Papers are invited from University faculty, post-doctoral researchers, doctoral students and community researchers. Papers must be original works that have not been published elsewhere and papers will be published in a Special Topics Journal of the UFV Research Review.