## Cornell Undergraduate Linguistics Colloquium

April 20-22, 2012

Except for the dinner social in Collegetown, all events take place in Morrill Hall, Room 106

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7:30-9:30 PM Ice Cream Social

Saturday, April 21 ♥

10:00-10:30 Registration and Breakfast

10:30-11:00

Jesse Stayton, New York University
"Identity Construction and Raised /ɔ/Among Jamaican-Americans Living in
New York City"

11:00-11:30

Juliana Cardona, Dana Holkestad & Emmanuela Tedone, Concordia University "Examining Accent Imitation Capacities Across Monolingual and Bilingual Speakers"

11:30-12:00

Jørgen Sandstedt, University of Minnesota "Old Trøndermål Vowel Harmony"

12:00-1:30 Lunch and Poster Session

(Presentations are listed at the end of this document)

1:30-2:00

Robin Parrish, The College of William and Mary "'People Like You Are The Reason That God Doesn't Talk To Us Anymore'; A Linguistic Analysis of the Humor of Brad Neely"

2:00-2:30

Michelle Yuan, University of Toronto "Left-Peripheral Movement in Twic East"

2:30-3:00

Rebecca Knowles, Haverford College "Natural Language Processing and Visualizations for Vowel Harmony"

3:00-3:30 Coffee Break

3:30-4:30

Professor Jeff Good, University at Buffalo "What kind of endangerment? Language documentation and language ideologies in the Cameroonian Grassfields"

> 5:30-7:30 Dinner Social in Collegetown

Sunday, April 22 ♥

10:00-10:30 Breakfast

10:30-11:00

Molly Bradshaw & Rosanna Cook, University of Essex "A comparative analysis of -t/d deletion in the USA and UK"

11:00-11:30

Irina Potapova, Cornell University
"The Effect of Grammatical Gender on the Perception of Inanimate Objects by
Russian-English Bilinguals"

11:30-12:00

Claire Cordella, Cornell University
"Atypical pause patterns in Alzheimer's disease: Distinguishing normal and disordered aging"

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:00

Professor Sarah Murray, Cornell University "Evidentiality in Cheyenne: Fieldwork and Semantic Theory"

## **Poster Presentations**

- (1) Aparajita Bhattacharyya, Swarthmore College "Free Choice 'Any' and Epistemic Modality: A Perspective from Bengali"
- (2) Christopher Kish, Sarah Korostoff & Melanie Pangilinan, Rutgers University "Obstruents and Masculinity: Shapes, names, and physiology"
  - (3) Lisa Martinek, Northeastern University "Language Acquisition and Hierarchy of Projections"
    - (4) Anthony Brohan, Queen's University "Learnability of Long-Distance Voicing Patterns"
      - (5) Mojgan Sarabi, Concordia University "Tahitian *mea*: a 'light' noun?"
  - (6) Cale Rubenstein, Northeastern University
    "Evidence from L1 Language Acquisition for a Semi-lexical Spectrum in the
    Verbal Domain"
    - (7) Brendan McDonald, University of Ottawa "The Compositionality of Expressives"
    - (8) Liban Ali Yusuf, Concordia University "Towards Automatic Multisyllabic Rap Rhyming"
      - (9) Kristie Denlinger, Emory University "Decipherment Strategies"
    - (10) Vartan Haghverdi, University of California, Irvine "Focus in the Modern Eastern Armenian Sentence"
  - (11) Geena Vabula, Binghamton University, SUNY "Problems in Cognitive Approaches to Translation: A Critique of Sandra L. Haverson's 'Cognitive Translation Studies: Developments in Theory and Method'"
  - (12) Maayan Adar, University of Toronto "Recent-Past and Modal Constructions and their Implications for a Model of Tagalog"
    - (13) Kathline Gomes, Pomona College "Verbal Scaffolding in Children's Theory of Mind Development"
    - (14) Cat Flynn, Cornell University "Slurs, Euphemisms and Reclamation in the Queer Community"

## (15) Daniel Genest, Concordia University "Does Imitation Improve L2 Production?"

(16) Victoria Peter, University of Toronto "The Grammar of Nothing: Null Arguments in Niuean"

(17) Angelina Brown, Cornell University "Effects of Word Familiarity on Toddlers' Vowel Acoustics in the Infant-directed and Adult-directed speech types"