

from Athens, 1896 to Athens, 2004. The Olympic Round Table at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo has alternated yearly with the International Symposium for Olympic Research sponsored by the International Centre for Olympic Studies at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario bringing together students, scholars, athletes and organizers of the Olympics Games. The Canadian Academic Institute in Athens, with home office at the University of Toronto and research facilities in Athens, Greece is preparing for the Athens 2004 Games by developing a Media Ring to support the information needs of media in Canada and elsewhere as they gear up for the upcoming Games in Greece, as well as other information resources for schools and interested visitors. Onward to the Olympics will bring together scholars and students of Olympic history to focus on major accomplishments of these unique athletic festivals, as we look to the future, to Athens in 2004 and to the place of Olympic athletics in the 21 st century.

Call for Papers:

Papers are invited on topics within the purview of the history of the Olympic Games, including, for example, gender issues, commercialism, political interference, idealism and spectacle.

Abstracts (maximum 300 words) should be submitted to the conference chairs:

Dr. Gerald Schaus (gschaus@wlu.ca) (ancient Olympics) or Dr. Stephen Wenn (swenn@wlu.ca) (modern Olympics) by Friday, February 28, 2003. Mail submissions may be sent to either chair at Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, N2L 3C5.

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The International Centre for Olympic Studies 2003 Distinguished Olympic Fellow

**Professor Ingomar Weiler
University of Graz, Austria**

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Professor Roland Renson, of the University of Leuven, Belgium was the Distinguished

guished Olympic Fellow for 2002. During his stay at The University of Western Ontario, Renson lectured to graduate and undergraduate students, presented the John Howard Crocker Memorial Address, and continued his research projects on the Olympic Games at the International Centre for Olympic Studies.

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The 6th International Symposium for Olympic Research was held at Windermere Manor on the campus of The University of Western Ontario, entitled "The Global Nexus Engaged: Past, Present, Future Interdisciplinary Studies."

In total, there were 31 academic papers on various themes related to the Olympic Games, including keynote addresses by Maurice Roche, The University of Sheffield, England; Larry Gerlach, The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, U.S.A; and Tim Cornell, The University of Manchester, England. Copies of the Proceedings may be ordered directly from the International Centre for Olympic Studies, School Kinesiology, The University of Western Ontario, London, Canada N6A 3K7. (fax 519-661-4148; phone 519-661-4113; or e-mail kbwamsle@uwo.ca)

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Larry Gerlach
The University of Utah



Tim Cornell
The University of Manchester

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<http://www.uwo.ca/olympic/>

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1. Articles and research studies containing discrete treatment of topics pertinent to the socio-cultural study of the Olympic Games and the Modern Olympic Movement.
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