Try finding six degrees of separation between any two human beings in 2016. In Canada, in Toronto, you’re lucky to get to three or four. We’re all that connected, at least by association, and we’re all that interdependent, at least by being human. The rest, in a sense, is what we choose to make of our proximity.

Other people are scary and the world is a nasty place, or other people are neighbours and the world is a realm of possibilities. Nations are crumbling fortresses, armed to repel, or nations are complex spaces where citizens meet.

Think of the planet as a circle. That shouldn’t be so hard. No one really lives outside this circle – how could they? Our challenge is one of empathy. Are we capable of it? Can we imagine the other? Respect the other? Live with the other? We do have the small mercy of mutual dependency and the sweet expectation of becoming part of something larger and more expansive. And the Circle promises this: You are right here with us and we are right here with you. Watch what we can do together.

Welcome to 6 Degrees.

Allez donc en 2016 trouver six degrés de séparation entre deux personnes. Au Canada, à Toronto, on peut tout juste arriver à trois ou quatre degrés. Nous sommes à ce point connectés, au moins par association, ou bien dépendants les uns des autres, puisque nous sommes humains. Quant au reste, c’est ce que nous souhaitons tirer de la proximité.

Ou bien les autres nous font peur et le monde est menaçant, ou bien les autres sont nos voisins et toutes les possibilités sont là. Ou bien les nations sont des forteresses qui s’écroulent, prêtes à repousser, ou bien les nations sont des espaces complexes où les citoyens se rassemblent.


Bienvenue à 6 Degrés.
SIX DEGREES
CITIZEN SPACE
2016

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## Schedule

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

- **8am**
  - Registration

- **9am**
  - **360: Inclusion**
    - WF Learning Centre, Art Gallery of Ontario

- **10:30am** – Break
- **11am** – Exchanges

- **12pm** – Lunch

- **1pm**
  - **360: Exodus**
    - WF Learning Centre, Art Gallery of Ontario

- **2:30pm** – Break
- **3pm** – Exchanges

- **8pm**
  - **6 Degrees Presents**
    - Goldring Centre, University of Toronto

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

- **8am**
  - Registration

- **9am**
  - **360: Prosperity**
    - WF Learning Centre, Art Gallery of Ontario

- **10:30am** – Break
- **11am** – Exchanges

- **12:30pm**
  - Keynote Fundraising Lunch
    - Baillie Court, Art Gallery of Ontario

- **7:30pm**
  - Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship
    - Koerner Hall, Royal Conservatory of Music

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The Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO) invites the attendees of the 360s to explore its wonderful collections. A complimentary pass to the AGO is included with the program.
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What is a 360?

6 Degrees is anchored by our signature 360s. Closer to lively conversations over dinner than panel discussions, these 90-minute exchanges seek to dissolve the distinction between speaker and audience. There is a host asking the right questions, and assigned parts for several guests, only some of them on stage. But there is also an MC, tasked with animating and surprising and widening the circle. Above all, there is a compelling idea, a concern and a challenge, one requiring that we talk it through together and see what we can come up with.

New language and new thinking requires a new kind of conversation, a new space for exchange. At a 360, everyone is a participant.
Diversity is a reality, inclusion remains a choice. Canada has become an experiment in inclusion. 360: Inclusion starts by asking how other countries understand and experience belonging. Under what circumstances does inclusion best succeed, and how can we foster those circumstances? How do we talk about what we’re doing and build a vocabulary that is resilient enough to manage aspirations and counter apprehensions?

Exchanges

I. The Importance of Language
Does better language necessarily result in better thinking? Join the Globe and Mail for a conversation about the power of public language to influence how we talk about belonging, and the role of the media in shaping the conversation.

Host Doug Saunders
With Denise Dresser, Pico Iyer, Ahmed Shihab-Eldin and John Yearwood
Location Seminar 1
Capacity 100 people

II. Coffeehouse: Inclusion
For centuries coffeehouses have been meeting spots for lively debates about current events, politics, art and culture. Following 360: Inclusion, the Coffeehouse will bring people together to continue the conversation. Each table will be hosted by a facilitator, and outcomes will be shared.

Coffeemaster Abdul-Rehman Malik
Location Citizen Space
Capacity 145 people

III. The Sidra Project
The Sidra Project invites participants to engage in a virtual reality viewing of Clouds Over Sidra, by filmmaker Gabo Arora. The film tells the story of life inside a refugee camp in Jordan through the eyes of a 12-year-old girl, giving viewers a unique and moving perspective. This project is a collaboration with the United Nations and Artscape. Visit thesidraproject.ca.

Location Seminar 2
Capacity 30 people
360: Exodus
No one wants to leave home. And yet, large-scale displacement and re-settlement is the front-page news of our time. On the east and south shores of the Mediterranean, violence and disorder are driving people towards the north. These patterns of mass movement are equally dramatic in parts of the Americas, sub-Saharan Africa, and Asia. There is increasing debate among those receiving refugees as to how to respond. 360: Exodus engages the ongoing crises with empathy and without judgement. What is happening on the ground? How do we reframe these crises so that we can deal with them?

Exchanges

I. Moving Stories
Presented in collaboration with Doctors Without Borders Canada/ Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)
Human stories connect and enrich us. Knowledge leads to empowerment, empathy leads to innovation, and action and perspective lead to resilience. Through this session, MSF will share different exodus stories: from the perspectives of a refugee, a humanitarian who has worked with people in flight and a doctor who cares for refugees in Canada.

Host Stephen Cornish
With Rachel Kiddell-Monroe, Dr. Roy Male, Siham Abo Sitta
Location Seminar 1
Capacity 80 people

II. What Does Migration Mean to You?
Presented in collaboration with 19 Million Project
In this Ideation Sprint, participants connect to the emotions, ideas and solutions emerging from the deepening global crisis around the mass movement of people. How do we feel and connect to different migrations? How can we encourage humane, informed and empathetic storytelling about these lives? The ideas generated during the session will be used to foster a shift in public opinion.

Location Theatre Space
Capacity 180 people
Please note this session lasts 90 minutes

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Location Seminar 2
Capacity 30 people
Art speaks its own powerful language of inclusion. To celebrate the essence of art as connection, we are partnering with Hart House and First Nations House at the University of Toronto for a special free event. 6 Degrees Presents showcases Indigenous music and performance. Headlined by the celebrated DJ crew, A Tribe Called Red, and emceed by renowned novelist Joseph Boyden, the night will be inclusive, joyful and welcoming to all.

Joseph Boyden
Jamaias DaCosta
Cris Derksen
360: Prosperity

Charlie Foran
HOST

Rabin Baldewsingh
FRAMER

Sol Guy
FRAMER

Madeleine Redfern
FRAMER

Shamina Singh
FRAMER

Zabeen Hirji
INTERVENER

Robert Johnson
INTERVENER

Rohinton Medhora
INTERVENER

Bessma Momani
INTERVENER

Chima Nkemdirim
INTERVENER
Immigration is a benefit, not a cost. Prosperity and innovation are fueled, not undermined, by diversity. To some, this is self-evident. 360: Prosperity explores the economics of inclusion. How are newcomers contributing to national economies? Do our systems block or facilitate their progress and creativity? What is the relationship between becoming a citizen and the individual’s economic contributions? The immigrant/new citizen entrepreneur is little understood. Can new language and new concepts help explain the good business of diversity?

Exchanges

I. Prosperity in Cities: A Conversation Among Mayors
In the 21st century, the vast majority of humans live in cities. How are the economies of our cities being transformed by newcomers? Are urban centres able to keep pace with so much change?

Host Sevaun Palvetzian
With Rabin Baldewsingh (Deputy-Mayor of The Hague), Naheed Nenshi (Mayor of Calgary) and Madeleine Redfern (Mayor of Iqaluit)
Location Theatre Space
Capacity 120 people

II. Coffeehouse: Prosperity
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Location Citizen Space
Capacity 120 people

III. The New Entrepreneurs
Building on 360: Prosperity, this discussion explores the findings of three separate reports on immigrant entrepreneurs and prosperity. Is Canada leading the way in encouraging new entrepreneurs, or do we give ourselves too much credit?

Host John Stackhouse
With Robert Johnson, Paula Martin, and Rohinton Medhora
Location Seminar 1
Capacity 80 people

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Location Seminar 2
Capacity 30 people
Keynote Fundraising Lunch

Over lunch in Baillie Court at the AGO, 6 Degrees features two dynamic leaders in a fundraiser to help support our youth programs. David McKay, President and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada, and Kweku Mandela, co-founder of the Africa Rising Foundation, each share their thoughts on an aspect of inclusion.

6 Degrés va recevoir le midi à Baillie Court, au Musée des beaux-arts de l’Ontario, deux leaders dynamiques pour une activité de financement destinée à soutenir nos programmes axés sur les jeunes. David McKay, président et chef de la direction de la Banque Royale du Canada, et Kweku Mandela, cofondateur de l’Africa Rising Foundation, vont chacun livrer leurs réflexions sur un aspect de l’inclusion.

AGO | Baillie Court | 12:30 – 2:30pm

With the participation of ICC board members Irfhan Rawji, Ruth Ramsden-Wood, and Martin Katz

David McKay  Kweku Mandela  Event Partner
The marquee event at the inaugural 6 Degrees, the Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship is to be awarded annually to a leader whose life has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to the ideals of belonging and inclusion. Through words, actions and results, this individual has encouraged thought and dialogue, approaches and strategies that strive to remove barriers, change attitudes, and reinforce the principles of tolerance and respect.

The symbolic importance of this prize has never been greater. In a time of unprecedented movement, displacement and re-settlement by immigrants and refugees, our central challenge is how we are all to live together. This must involve upholding human rights, while both engendering inclusion and respect for each other, and celebrating the cultural differences that make us unique. This challenge of weaving together human rights and cultural differences will permit us to leave behind the old racial and religious divisions. This is the basis for true citizenship – meaningful engagement by citizens for citizens founded on shared principles and values.

ADRIENNE CLARKSON PRIZE FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 21

7:30pm KOERNER HALL, ROYAL CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
About the Medal: Anna Williams, sculptor

Adrienne Clarkson asked me to create the medal for the Prize for Global Citizenship. I had the idea of bringing together the world of creation with that of the great mythological winged deities. Sedna is the Inuit goddess from whom all creatures of the sea spring. Atalanta, Nike, Lilith and the winged bearers of souls in Norse lore, the Valkyrie, each exist in an imperfect world. But through their strength, intelligence, independence, and compassion, they have created an iconography of champions and dissenters. Each in their own way is unyielding and stands apart as they chart a new course against buffeting waves. In the narrative of this medal, Sedna the creator emerges from the waves to pass a vulnerable world to the outstretched arms of our winged guardian.

Special performance by Rufus Wainwright
Internationally-acclaimed vocalist and songwriter
6 Degrees Fellows

The 6 Degrees Fellows Program produces substantial reports that enrich the conversation around the core themes of each year’s citizen space. For 2016, we have partnered with the Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) and Vancity Credit Union on two studies of new entrepreneurs and prosperity.

6 DEGREES-CIGI FELLOW

Bessma Momani

New Canadian Entrepreneurs: An Underappreciated Contribution to Canadian Prosperity?

6 DEGREES-VANCITY FELLOWS

Ricardo Meilman Lomaz Cohn and Eric Adebayo

Open for Business: Immigrant Entrepreneurs in Canada

6 Degrees Junior Fellows

The 6 Degrees Junior Fellowship Program brings ten young leaders from Canada and around the world to Toronto to attend 6 Degrees. With the support of a grant and active mentorship, each 6 Degrees Junior Fellow will create an initiative related to inclusion and/or citizenship that has an impact on their own communities.

Dix jeunes leaders du Canada et de l’étranger faisant partie du programme de jeunes Fellows 6 Degrés vont assister au débat 6 Degrés à Toronto. Chacun va créer, grâce à une subvention et un mentorat actif, une initiative sur l’inclusion ou la citoyenneté qui a un impact sur sa communauté.
**FLORENCIA ALEJANDRE**  
**London, United Kingdom**  
Generating a participatory action research project that will understand the meaning and needs of citizenship in informal recyclers of Buenos Aires and co-design local and empowering waste management policies.

**ANDREA ANDERSEN**  
**Makkovik, Canada**  
Promoting youth engagement and language revitalization in Inuit communities across Labrador.

**BRONWYN BRAGG**  
**Vancouver, Canada**  
Exploring the early resettlement experiences of Syrian refugees in Calgary and Vancouver.

**ASAD CHISHTI**  
**Kingston, Canada**  
Building a digital map of Canada to add some context to the where and when of this place and time we call home.

**TARAS DZYUBANSKYY**  
**Lviv, Ukraine**  
Promoting responsible citizenship among Ukrainian corporations by encouraging the inclusion of internal refugees and migrants.

**MUNAZA GULZAR**  
**Karachi, Pakistan**  
Creating the only public access library in Karachi.

**MICHELLE HASSLER**  
**Birch Hills, Canada**  
Advancing Tapestrama Cultural Festival, a two-day festival of food, dance, music and activities, to celebrate culture in Saskatchewan.
# Rapporteurs

6 Degrees brings 20 national rapporteurs from the Institute for Canadian Citizenship’s network to drive important discussions on-site, and carry those ideas off-site, on behalf of the ICC. Rapporteurs will be tasked with reporting on their experiences, which will be published and shared online following this year’s 6 Degrees.

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Smoke Trail Singers  
Northern Traditional Powwow singing group, based in Alderville First Nation in Ontario, Canada. See Smoke Trail at the LaFontaine-Baldwin Lecture.

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Rufus Wainwright  
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