



Call for Papers

CAANS 2025
May 31- June 1, 2025

Hybrid Conference

In partnership with:

***Federation for the Humanities and
Social Sciences***

***George Brown College (Toronto,
Canada)***

**Call for Papers for the Annual Meeting of the
*Canadian Association for the Advancement of Netherlandic Studies (CAANS) /
Association canadienne pour l'avancement des études néerlandaises (ACAEN)*
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The Canadian Association for the Advancement of Netherlandic Studies is the academic 'home' of Canadian (and other) scholars, from a myriad of disciplines, whose research focuses on some aspect of Netherlandic Studies, be it linguistic, literary, historical, political, diasporic, post-colonial, art-historical, etc. This year, our annual conference will take place in person at George Brown College (Toronto) but will also allow for remote participation.

We invite proposals for papers addressing the main theme of this year's gathering: ***Reframing togetherness***. This theme coincides with the theme chosen by the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences for Congress 2025, an annual gathering of Canadian academic associations active in the humanities and social sciences. The theme invites scholars to reframe what it means to coexist with other humans, the environment, and technology. For CAANS 2025, scholars are invited to submit proposals focusing on issues of tolerance, coexistence, conflict, and war in the Netherlandic World, and to examine these through a literary, historical, political, sociological, or art-historical lens. Papers addressing related topics such as the climate challenges facing the Netherlandic World, or the impact of generative AI on Dutch Studies will also be considered for inclusion in the conference program.

In addition to proposals focusing on this year's theme, we also welcome proposals for papers addressing any other topic related to Netherlandic studies, including but not limited to language, literature, culture, history, art and art history, or politics.

Presentations will be 20 minutes plus 10 minutes for questions and discussion and may be delivered in English, French, or Dutch. Papers may be delivered in person or remotely. The online format will be live presentation with live Q&A. Instructions regarding remote delivery will be shared with the presenter upon acceptance of their proposal.

CAANS 2025 will feature literary journalist and author **Maria Vlaar** as this year's *keynote speaker*. Maria Vlaar will examine the status of the short story in the Low Countries, as well as the reception of that literary genre by the reading public in the Netherlands and Flanders.

Please send your title and a short abstract (150-300 words exclusive of any references) **BEFORE JANUARY 20, 2025**, to:

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Please send your abstract as an email attachment, formatted in Word or pdf. On a separate page or in the body of the email, please provide the following information:

- The title of your paper
- *Your preference for in person or remote participation*
- Your name and title
- Your affiliation
- Your full address
- Your telephone number
- Your email address

All papers will be considered for inclusion in the *conference proceedings* published by the *Canadian Journal of Netherlandic Studies (CJNS)*. The guidelines for submission to the conference proceedings will be sent by email to all participants shortly after the conference.

CAANS 2025 will also award one *Congress Graduate Merit Award (CGMA)*, worth \$500, to this year's best graduate student paper.

For questions contact the program chair:

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