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**Winter Colloquium
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Steven Schwinghamer is a historian at the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21. He holds a Master's Degree in History from Saint Mary's University. His research deals with places and practices of Canadian immigration, in particular at Halifax. Since joining the Museum in 2000, he has conducted over two hundred interviews and has written numerous scholarly and popular articles about the history of Pier 21. His most recent academic publication is a co-authored book with his museum colleague Dr. Jan Raska: *Pier 21: A History*.

“Putting Pier 21 in its Place: Immigration and History at Halifax’s Ocean Terminals. ”

The stage is set by investigating the larger network of Canadian ocean immigration sites through the late 19th and early 20th century. This is followed by exploring the tensions between the designated historical narrative of Pier 21 and its immigration history. The goal is to expand on the idea particularity of place as a critical factor in both personal immigration experience and in the development of Canadian immigration infrastructure. This complements the work of scholars like Takai and Chilton, as well as the work that is done at the Museum. The presentation touches on third-party actors in Canadian immigration policy and practice.

Thursday, March 10th, 2022

4:00 pm, Virtual Zoom Event

All Welcome!

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