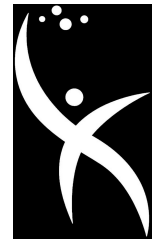


Escape from Politics



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2002, 7:30 TO 9:30 PM
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Is the quality of democratic politics declining? And if so, why? Do citizens have a responsibility that they are not meeting? Have the Left and Right failed to sufficiently engage the public in a debate about the implications of their visions? If people believe that local or national political participation will no longer have any meaningful effects in an age of globalization, what can be done about this?

Voter apathy generally, and among young people specifically, appears to be worsening. On the other hand, some people are extremely passionate about politics and want desperately to have a say in both the domestic and international public policy-making process. Increasingly, many of the most crucial public issues are global rather than local in nature. Therefore many people, particularly the young, have chosen to work for political change through the anti-corporate glob-

alization movement rather than conventional electoral politics.

Clearly, withdrawal from politics, a sense of the futility of participation, and concerns about greed and unethical behaviour are not healthy for building strong communities. Yet many people are deeply engaged in communal activity at the local level, where they feel they can make a difference. What lessons can we learn from all this, and what steps can be taken to strengthen democracy at local, national, and international levels?

PANEL INCLUDES:

Dr. Reg Whitaker, Distinguished Research Professor Emeritus, York University, and Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science, UVic

Maureen A. Maloney, QC, Lam Chair of Law and Public Policy and Director, Institute for Dispute Resolution, UVic

Dr. Gordon Smith, Executive Director, Centre for Global Studies, UVic, and former deputy minister of foreign affairs, Canada

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