

“I’M NOT A CITIZEN; I’M AN INDIAN”

PERSONHOOD AND POLITICAL SUBJECTIVITY IN THE CONSTITUTION OF CANADA’S SELF-GOVERNING FIRST NATIONS

a talk by

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Yukon First Nation self-government agreements create state-like social entities not only by drawing geographical boundaries around indigenous territories, but also by erecting and maintaining new social boundaries among Yukon Indian people. Those cross-cut the dense relations of kinship and reciprocity among citizens of different Yukon First Nations, as well as those between humans and non-humans. In this lecture, I focus on the institutions and practices of First Nation citizenship and their implications for indigenous conceptions of personhood and human-animal relations.



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