

**Maureen Harrington Memorial Session on the Leisure of Women and Families
At the Canadian Congress on Leisure Research, May 23-26, 2022**

The **aims & objectives** of this special session are as follows:

- To encourage research on the leisure of women and families
- To provide a forum to present research on the leisure of women and families
- To support graduate students interested in research on the leisure of women and families
- To honour Maureen Harrington's contribution to leisure research especially her research on the leisure of women and families

Dr. Maureen Harrington, born in London, Ontario, was a Canadian-Australian, with a Ph.D. in Sociology (1988) from U.C. Santa Barbara. She taught in the Department of Leisure Studies at the University of Ottawa from 1988 to 1995, and then taught at Griffith University in Australia where she became a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Tourism, Leisure, Hotel and Sport Management until her death in 2015. She was a member of both CALS and ANZALS and was also on the Editorial Board of both *Leisure/Loisir* and *Leisure Studies*. Her research areas included volunteering in leisure events and sport, women's work, leisure and family lives, gender and family leisure, healthy lifestyles, and notions of risk. When not studying other people's leisure, she enjoyed working in her herb garden and raising German Roller canaries, which were much sought after by other breeders across Australia.

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Opening Keynote Speaker for this Special Session: Dr. Karla Henderson

This special session will begin with a short keynote talk by Dr. Karla Henderson who is currently Professor Emerita in the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management at North Carolina State University. She has been on the faculty at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Texas Woman's University. Her Ph.D. was completed at the University of Minnesota. In 2012 she received an honorary doctorate from the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada. Throughout her career, she has given numerous presentations throughout the world, written books, and published regularly on topics related to social justice, women and gender, physical activity, camping and youth development, and research and evaluation. She has held leadership roles on national and international boards. Karla now enjoys hiking/snowshoeing, volunteering at Rocky Mountain National Park, playing her trumpet, being entertained by her two adorable cats, and writing a weekly blog (www.wanderingwonderingwithkarla.net)

Graduate Student Scholarships

Scholarships each worth \$500. will be awarded to 5 students presenting papers in this special session. If you are a student who has submitted an abstract or plans to submit an abstract to this special session and would like to be considered for a scholarship, please contact Paul Heintzman at pheintzm@uottawa.ca

Submission of Abstracts

Abstracts for this special session are to be submitted through the regular CCLR abstract submission process. See: <https://canadianleisurestudies.ca/call-for-abstracts/>