

# The Twelfth International Dabrowski Congress

## Dynamisms: Forces for Human Growth

July 14-16, 2016 Calgary, AB, Canada

Thursday, July 14th

2:00PM

**Registration Open**

*Foyer*

2:30PM-  
5:30PM

**"Dabrowski 101" Workshop**

Introduction to the Theory of Positive Disintegration

Laurence Nixon

*Sheraton South*

4:00PM-  
5:00PM

**Registration Open**

*Foyer*

5:30PM

**Reception – Wine & Cheese/Cash Bar**

Poster Sessions & Entertainment (Susan Picard)

*Sheraton East/West*

6:00PM

**Welcome and Introductions:**

Janneke Frank & Krystyna Laycraft

Poster Sessions

*Sheraton East/West*

**\*The Sheraton Cavalier Hotel includes a restaurant and other venues for meals.**

(There are also restaurants nearby, please check with the front desk staff)

Refreshments and snacks during all breaks and lunch are provided to Congress attendees on Friday and Saturday. Breakfast isn't included.

Friday evening dinner is included in the congress fee.

# The Twelfth International Dabrowski Congress

Friday, July 15, 2016

8:00am

**Registration**

8:45am

**Welcome and Announcements:**  
Janneke Frank & Krystyna Laycraft  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

9:00am

**Keynote:** Dynamisms: Shapers of Development and Psychological Constructs  
Dr. Sal Mendaglio  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

10:00am-  
10:30am

**Refreshment Break**  
*Foyer*

**Room**

10:30am-  
11:30am

**Sheraton South (70)**  
Session 1A  
Assessing Dabrowski's Levels of  
Development  
N. Miller

**Sheraton E/W (60)**  
1B  
Crisis/Trauma: Opportunity  
for Growth  
J. Aitken-Kish

**Canadian Room (60)**  
1C  
Gifted Learners: perfectionism &  
anxiety through a Dabrowskian  
lens  
L. Alisat

11:30am-  
12:30pm

**LUNCH**  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

12:30-  
1:30pm

**Signature Session:** Dabrowski's: Approach to Testing: An Introduction - Bill Tillier  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

1:30pm-  
2:00pm  
2:00pm-  
3:00pm

**Refreshment Break**

**Session 2A**  
Using Dabrowski's TPD dynamisms to  
determine personality development in  
gifted, highly sensitive adults  
M-L. Schlappy

**Session 2B**  
Walking in Another's Shoes: A  
personal account of the  
blessing and curse of intense  
empathy as a force for  
personal growth  
F. Smith

**Session 2C**  
1)Positive Disintegration through  
loss of spouse  
B. Kennedy  
2)Developing Student Leadership  
Skills: The Calgary Homeless  
Project  
J. Eiserman & H. Lai

3:00pm-  
3:30pm  
3:30 pm-  
4:30pm

**Refreshment Break**

**Session 3A**  
Patterns in Multi-Generations of Gifted  
Adults  
N. Hafenstein & J. Watson

**Session 3B**  
TPD as a Journey Through  
Feelings: How to read my  
children's book  
K. Laycraft

**Session 3C**  
The Dynamic of Possibilities and  
Limitations  
J.T. Huckvale

**BREAK and CONNECTION TIME**

6:00pm

Reception: Hors d'oeuvres/Cash Bar  
Entertainment (Susan Picard)  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

6:30pm

**DINNER**  
*Sheraton Ballroom*

# The Twelfth International Dabrowski Congress

Saturday, July 16, 2016

8:00 am	<b>Registration</b>		
8:45am	<b>Welcome and Announcements:</b> Janneke Frank & Krystyna Laycraft <i>Sheraton Ballroom</i>		
9:00am- 10:00am	<b>Signature Session:</b> Dabrowski's Interest in Gifted Linda Silverman, Ph.D., Frank Falk, Ph.D., Paul McGaffey, Ph.D. <i>Sheraton Ballroom</i>		
10:00am- 10:30am	<b>Refreshment Break</b>		
Room	Sheraton South (70)	Sheraton E/W (60)	Canadian Room (60)
10:30am- 11:30am	<b>Session 4A</b> Dynamisms and Bright Adults: Across the Lifespan E. Fiedler	<b>Session 4B</b> Dynamisms in influencing risk taking and resilience in students who are gifted J. Frank, D. Holland & E. Wang	<b>Session 4C</b> Dynamic of the feeling of shame A. Benislawska
11:30pm- 12:30pm	<b>LUNCH</b> <i>Sheraton Ballroom</i>		
12:30- 1:30pm	<b>Session 5A</b> TPD and the Highly Sensitive Person: Dynamisms at Work T. Cooper & M-L. Schlappy	<b>Session 5B</b> 1)Instruments of Empathy: How they measure up against Dabrowski's TPD 2)Through the Dabrowski lens: An analysis of preliminary findings for empathy and academic self-concept... A. Harper	<b>Session 5C</b> Returning Home: Finding the Light Within M. Kane
1:30pm- 2:00pm	<b>Refreshment Break</b>		
2:00pm- 3:00pm	<b>Session 6A</b> Dynamisms and the Demand for Non-Academic Data T. J. Tebbs	<b>Session 6B</b> Exploring Dynamisms Using Personal Narratives A. Wells	<b>Session 6C</b> A Dabrowskian Curriculum S. Picard
3:00pm	<b>Wrap-up Session and next Congress?</b>  <i>Sheraton Ballroom</i>		

Thank you and safe journeys home.