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10:00-11:30 Everything's Amazing and Nobody's Happy

Do you think you're happy? Do most people around you seem to be happy? Why does it seem so hard to maintain a level of happiness? How come we sometimes aren't even sure what makes us happy? Why

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12:00-1:00

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A Convergence of Evidence

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Tuesday, October 21

11:30-12:00 Philosophy in the Agora: Ancient Greece and Today

Location: Dawson Theatre

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and learning how to conceptualize and deepen their understanding of given ideas. They were persuaded that

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This often involved the targeting of sites associated with the religious and ethnic identities of opposing
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often used by national governments as a tool to present themselves in a favorable manner to the international
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and how it wishes the country to be perceived. The author recently visited some of the sites that are either
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these structures have captured the imagination of many in the region and in many ways they draw far more
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many would prefer to seek refuge in unprovable myths.

Michael Wood 'HSDUWPHQW RI +XPDQLWLHV 'DZVRQ & ROOHJH

4:00-5:30 Creative Entrepreneurship in the Cultural Industries: Rhetoric, Realities and Policy
Implications of Youth Creative Work

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mapped and grappled with in policy structures. Despite the lack of knowledge about the labor conditions
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of work and comparing these characteristics to the articulation of the artist at the policy level demonstrates
both a profound disconnect and the need for further policy interventions to close this gap between rhetoric
and reality.

Miranda Campbell 'HSDUWPHQW RI (QJOLVK 'DZVRQ & ROOHJH

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Wednesday, October 22

2:00-4:00 Panel: Historical Places and the Link between Past and Present

This panel is presented by Paul Yachnin, Stephen Wittek and Anastasios Anastassiadis of the McGill
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4:00-6:00 SPACE EVENT 3D: Transforming How We Print

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