

A Soirée for Curious Minds

A series of evenings full of insight, conversation, and connection!

Frequently Asked Questions

Where is the event taking place?

The lecture series is held at The Rosedale Centre, located within Rosedale United Church in midtown Toronto at 159 Roxborough Drive.

Is this a church service or religious event?

No. This is a community lecture series presented by The Rosedale Centre in partnership with Glendon College, York University. While hosted inside a church building, the content is academic and non-religious in nature.

Who is this series for?

Anyone who enjoys thoughtful conversation and engaging ideas. No academic background is required — just curiosity. This event is not designed for small children.

What can I expect when I arrive?

The main Roxborough glass doors will open at 6:00 pm. A cocktail reception will run until 7:00 pm, followed by the lecture beginning promptly at 7:00 pm.

What does the Cocktail Reception entail?

Guests are invited to gather in our Art Gallery to enjoy a glass of wine or sparkling water from the cash bar while viewing the art and listening to live piano music. Light snacks will be available for purchase. Beverages and snacks may be purchased by cash, debit, or credit.

Is there reserved seating?

No. Seating is first-come, first-served. You are welcome to place your coat or cushion on a seat before enjoying the reception.

Will there be food served?

Light snacks will be available for purchase from the bar prior to the lecture.

How long does each evening last?

Each session runs approximately 90 minutes to 2 hours, including the reception, lecture, and a time for Q&A and informal conversation at the conclusion.

Is the venue accessible?

Yes. The building is wheelchair accessible. If you have specific accessibility needs, please contact us in advance at info@rosedalecentre.org or 416-924-0725 ext. 101.

What is the closest public transit?

The Rosedale Centre (inside Rosedale United Church) is accessible by TTC:

- Take Line 1 (Yonge–University) to Rosedale Station. At street level, follow signs to the bus platform and take the 82 Rosedale bus east to Whitney Avenue. From there, walk north approximately two blocks to the church.
- Alternatively, take Line 2 (Bloor–Danforth) to Sherbourne Station. Exit to Sherbourne Street and board the 75 Sherbourne bus southbound. Get off at Glen Road / South & Glen and walk north on Glen Road to the church (approximately 10 minutes).

Is parking available?

Street parking is available nearby, subject to City of Toronto regulations. Please allow extra time if driving.

Are tickets refundable?

Tickets are refundable up to 48 hours before the event. After that time, tickets are transferable but non-refundable.

Can I attend just one session, or do I need to attend the full series?

Each lecture is ticketed separately. Guests are welcome to attend individual sessions or all four.

Will the lectures be recorded?

This series is designed as an in-person experience. Sessions are not currently planned to be recorded.

What should I wear?

Smart casual attire is appropriate.

Is alcohol included in the ticket price?

No. Beverages are available for purchase at the cash bar during the reception.