



You are invited to

THE 2010 WALTER GORDON MASSEY SYMPOSIUM

“Private Emotion, Public Policy”

The Isabel Bader Theatre

93 Charles Street West

Tuesday, March 16, at 8.00 p.m. (Doors open at 7.30 p.m.)

Dr. David Pizarro, Assistant Professor of Psychology, Cornell University

Hon. Bob Rae, MP, former Premier of Ontario

Dr. Christina Tarnopolsky, Assistant Professor of Political Science, McGill University

moderated by Frances Lankin, President and CEO of the United Way of Toronto

From capital punishment to climate change, gay marriage to gun control, every important issue of our time is also a highly emotional one. How do these emotions affect public policy, and how *should* they affect public policy? Presented by Massey College and The School of Public Policy and Governance at University of Toronto, the 2010 Gordon Symposium will bring together three speakers from very different disciplines to explore these questions. Dr. David Pizarro of Cornell will describe recent research in psychology and neuroscience on how emotion affects our judgement and decision-making, for good or ill. McGill’s Dr. Christina Tarnopolsky will give the view from political science, where long-held theories about the proper role of emotion in public discourse are being challenged for the first time. Finally, the Hon. Bob Rae, MP and former Premier of Ontario, will present a real-world perspective on dealing with highly emotional issues, based on his experience during more than two decades of public service.

The event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to: masseygordon2010@gmail.com