Conference @ Institute of African Studies, Carleton University:
North Africa at the Crossroads: Culture, Identities, and the Politics of Change

**Wednesday April 4th, St. Patrick’s Building 100**
7 p.m. Film screening: LAICITE INCH ALLAH / NEITHER ALLAH, NOR MASTER! with filmmaker, Nadia El Fani
**Discussant:** Aboubakar Sanogo, Carleton University

**Thursday April 5th – Arts Lounge, Dunton Tower 2017**
8 a.m. Registration

8:30-9 a.m Welcome address by Professor John Osborne, Dean, Arts & Social Sciences and Professor Blair Rutherford, Director, Institute of African Studies

9 – 10 a.m. Opening Keynote by Professor Réda Bensmaia, Brown University
**Topic:** "La vraie vie est ailleurs: The Harragas phenomenon in African novels and films"
**Discussant:** Pius Adesanmi, Carleton University

10-10:30 a.m. Coffee Break

10:30 a.m. – Noon Panel 1: Gender, Nation, and Political Consciousness in North Africa: Complexities Abounding
**Moderator:** Susanne Klausen, Carleton University

**Paper 1** Samar Ben Romdhane (Laval), “Communicating gender through the political discourse in the post-revolutionary public space”
**Paper 2** Bochra Manai (Institut national de la recherche scientifique), "Women’s social and political engagement in Tunisia: Actors and representation"

Noon – 1:30 p.m. – Lunch break on campus (Lunch will not be provided) on campus food options (http://www1.carleton.ca/dining/locations/fresh-food-company/)

1:30-3 p.m. Panel 2: The Arab Spring: What next?
**Moderator:** Chris Brown, Carleton University
**Paper 1** – Nadia Habib (York University), “Egypt: In Fragments”
**Paper 2** – Gubara Hassan (IAS, Carleton) “Post-Gaddafi's Libya and Democratic Transformation: The Hard Roads Ahead”

3-3:30 p.m. Coffee Break

3:30-5 p.m. Panel 3: The Arab Spring and its Aftermath: Implications for the Continent
**Moderator:** David Mastey, Carleton

**Paper 1** Uyilawa Usuanlele (SUNY Oswego): “Arab Spring or reintegration North Africa within the African democratic frontiers”
**Paper 2** Nduka Otiono (Brown University): “Street Stories in Africa: New Media, Popular Uprisings, and the Democratic Imperative”

7 – 9 p.m. social event with Nduka Otiono reading poetry and a North African spoken word performer at **Raw Sugar Cafe** (692 Somerset Street West)