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## **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lecture Series:** Pompidou on the Red: Centennial Hall 35 Years Ago

WINNIPEG—History Professor Dr. Serena Keshavjee will present the second lecture in the 40th Anniversary Lecture Series, organized by the Academic Subcommittee of The University of Winnipeg's 40th Anniversary Committee.

> Pompidou on the Red: Centennial Hall 35 Years Ago **UWinnipeg History Professor Serena Keshavjee Friday, March 16, 2007** 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Centennial) Reception to follow in the Faculty & Staff Club.

Well-known amongst aficionados of architecture as a landmark building of the modernist style, Centennial Hall is a proud centerpiece of The University of Winnipeg. Keshavjee describes it as a living and functioning piece of practical art, a vitally important example of its period that mirrors the famous late modernist architecture style of the French museum, the Centre Georges Pompidou.

"I think Centennial Hall is one of the most important buildings in Winnipeg," says Keshavjee, praising the building that acts as a hub for the UWinnipeg campus.

Keshavjee's research into Centennial Hall was recently published as part of a book on Winnipeg's Modernist architecture. Winnipeg Modern, Architecture 1945-1975 was edited by Keshavjee, and designed by Herbert Enns, Director of the School of New Media Studies at the University of Manitoba.

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