19th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science (Joint meeting with the British Experimental Psychology Society)  
York, UK, July 10-12, 2009

Conference report

2009 Program:
  Donald O. Hebb Distinguished Contribution and Lecture: Pierre Jolicoeur, Université de Montréal
  President's Symposium (5 papers)
  Papers: 31
  Posters: 25
  Total: 62 scientific presentations

Registration
  Faculty & Post-docs: 37 early, 2 late
  Students: 19 early, 5 late
  Non-members: 3
  Total Registration: 66

Expenses
  Donation to EPS: $10,000
  Total owed to EPS for rooms and conference dinner = $2,865
    10 student reservations x $150 = $1,500 for rooms at York St. John’s University
    21 conference dinner reservations x $65 = $1,365

Web site: not yet known

Revenues
  Registrations: $3,930
  Fees collected for EPS totaling $2,865
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Awards / Credits:
  Donald O. Hebb Award winner: Pierre Jolicoeur, Université de Montréal

Donald O. Hebb Graduate Student Award winners:

Poster:
  First Place: Gillian Dale, Brock University; Individual differences in diffusion of attention predict the attentional blink
Honourable mention: Adam K. Dubé, University of Regina; The relationship between adults’ conceptual understanding of inversion and associativity

Talk:

First Place: Greg Louis West, University of Toronto; Electrophysiological evidence for biased competition in V1 favoring motivationally significant stimuli

Honourable mention: Jason David Ozubko, University of Waterloo; When you don’t have a clue about the cue: Costs associated with item-specific cued recall in a forced-response paradigm

Decisions about the 2009 awards were based on the assessment of a panel of judges. Students who were interested in having their presentation considered for an award submitted an extended abstract (maximum of 400 words). Each committee member independently ranked all of the abstracts. Based on these rankings, the three papers and three posters receiving the highest rankings were selected as finalists. Finalists were evaluated at the conference by the panel on the basis of 50% weight for scientific impact and 50% for presentation quality. Just after the Friday morning session the committee met to select the outstanding presentation and an honorable mention in each category.

This year's prize for best paper or poster is $100.00, an engraved plaque, a certificate, and a 1-year membership in BBCS. The prize for honorable mention is a 1-year membership in BBCS.

Graduate Student Award Committee:
Aimée Surprenant (chair), Daniel Bub, Ben Dyson, Myra Fernandes, Bill Hockley, Elizabet Service

Conference web site: Trudy Shore, MohSho Multimedia

Conference organizers:
Tom Hartley (co-organizer), Dana Sampson, Alison Prescott, Aimée Surprenant (co-organizer)