



## HELEN HUMPHREYS – HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT NOMINATED BY GPPL FACULTY

At Queen's Fall Convocation ceremony on **October 10, 2022**, **Helen Humphreys** received an honorary degree following her nomination by two faculty members from Geography and Planning, Drs. **Laura Jean Cameron** and **Anne Godlewski**. Helen is the award-winning author of four books of poetry, nine novels, and six works of creative non-fiction. She has won the City of Toronto Book Award, the Rogers Writers Trust Fiction Prize, a Lambda Award for fiction, the Canadian Author's Association Award for poetry, and the Harbourfront Festival Prize for Literary Excellence. Her work has also been nominated for the Governor General's Award, the Trillium Book Prize, the B.C. Non-Fiction Prize, the Commonwealth Prize, and has been a finalist on CBC Canada Reads.



As noted by Anne and Laura in their nomination, "Helen has been engaged for many years in a remarkable range of educational institutions across campus, from the DAN School of Drama and Music to English, from the Queen's University Biological Station to Education. In our own department (Geography and Planning), she has long acted as a lucid and affecting reminder that geography (*geo-graphy*) means 'earth-writing,' sharing with our students, for instance, *The Perils of Geography* and her fieldwork in writing *The River...* Helen's genius is cause for collective celebration."

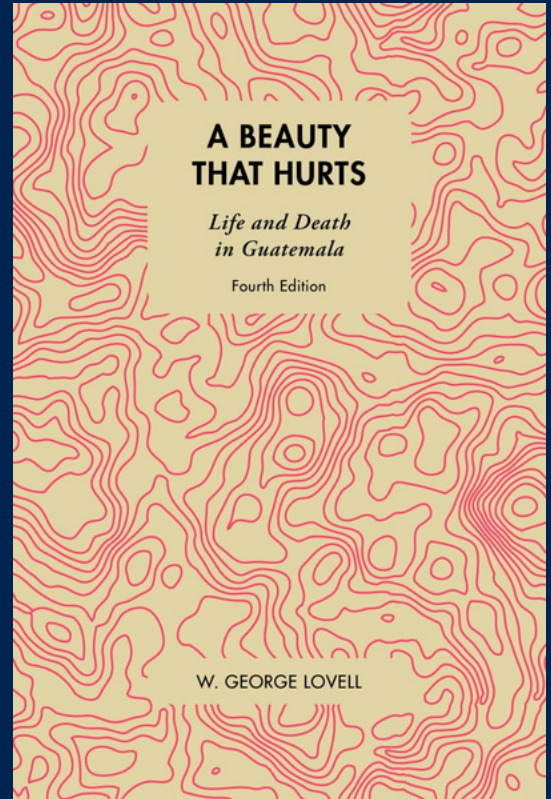
Congratulations, Helen.



# Book Launch - *A Beauty That Hurts*

Members of the Department are invited to **Gallery Raymond, 334 Princess Street, on October 27 at 7pm**, to mark the publication of a new (fourth) edition of George Lovell's memoir of Guatemala, "A Beauty That Hurts," which is now also available as an audio book at <https://btlbooks.com/book/beauty-that-hurts254>, narrated by George himself.

Armed conflict raged in Guatemala off and on between 1960 and 1996, when a peace accord was signed between the national government and guerrilla forces fighting to overthrow a corrupt, brutal regime. A quarter-century on, if any measure of peace has come to the country, it is a peace resembling war. First published in 1995, in its latest incarnation "A Beauty That Hurts" sees George return to Guatemala to grapple once again with the terror inflicted on its Maya peoples by a still militarized, authoritarian state.



## IN THE NEWS

**Robert Way** (Arts and Science, Department of Geography and Planning)

Global News:

**Full Show: Deaths rise among the unhoused**

Dr. Way talks about weather radar coverage, the gaps in this coverage, and Hurricane Fiona.

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**Adaku Echendu** (Arts and Science, School of Environmental Studies)

The Conversation:

**Nigeria floods: expert insights into why they're so devastating and what to do about them**

Echendu, PhD candidate, says that unlike some natural disasters, floods due to rainfall can be controlled with proper planning and infrastructure.