On Being Greene: A Documentary on the Thoughts and Musings of Distinguished Scholar Dr. Maxine Greene

The beloved Dr. Maxine Greene (1917-2014), educational researcher and philosopher, has inspired generations of educators and activists across the globe. Using the last known interview footage of Greene, Dr. Karyn Cooper and her Doctoral student Alison Mann have woven together a narrative that features Greene's highly introspective thinking on Education, the significance of the Arts, the Social Imagination, Politics and much more. Her critique and observation on the current Post-modern landscape is more relevant today than ever before. What Cooper and Mann offer is a creative interpretation, one of many possible interpretations, using Greene's words and their imaginations (documentary is approximately 30 minutes).

"We can't separate imagination from the ethical, the political, the social...it is our opening to what is not yet, what might be, new possibilities..."

—Maxine Greene

Presenters:

Dr. Karyn Cooper is a professor in the department of Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, University of Toronto. For the past sixteen years, Karyn's research, teaching, and writing have been in the areas of critical literacy, interpretive and critical approaches to research, citizen documentary and the study of digital technology for a democratic curriculum. At the heart of her work is the belief that looking critically at a variety of personal and ethical issues may support and enhance inclusion, equity and democratic practice.

Alison Mann is a year three Ph.D. student working under the guidance of Dr. Karyn Cooper at the University of Toronto. Alison is a film and media educator with over 18 years of secondary school classroom experience. Her academic interests include critical media literacies, participatory media culture, citizen documentary, and intercultural competences in online learning environments.

Presentation Details:

Date: Thursday 2 February 2017

Time: 10.30-12.30 (with lunch to follow)

Location: tba