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**Institute of Island Studies 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**  
**Saturday, June 14, 2025, 4–6 pm**  
**Steel Recital Hall**  
**University of Prince Edward Island**

- 3:30 Doors open – book table open
- 4:00–4:05 Welcome and introductions from Dr. Laurie Brinklow, Chair
- 4:05–4:25 **The IIS’s Beginnings** with Diane Griffin and Ed MacDonald  
Qs. When did you first get involved with the IIS? What brought you in?  
What kept you involved? Any outstanding moments that define the IIS for you?
- 4:25–4:35 **The Impact of the IIS on Prince Edward Island** with Ian Petrie  
Qs. When did you first hear about the IIS?  
What do you think the IIS has done for PEI?
- 4:35-4:55 **Comments from the audience**
- 4:55–5:10 **IIS International** with Laurie Brinklow and Eric Mijts (U of Aruba)  
(moderated by Tristan Atkins)  
Qs for Laurie: How did the IIS get involved internationally?  
Describe some of those activities.  
Qs for Eric: How did you come to be involved with the IIS?  
How has the IIS impacted Island Studies globally?
- 5:10–5:30 **The Future of the Institute of Island Studies** with Josh MacFadyen, Jean Mitchell, Nick Mercer, Ryan Drew  
Qs. What’s your involvement in the IIS? Where do you see the IIS going in the next 40 years? What does the IIS need to do for PEI now and into the future?
- 5:30–6 **Comments from the audience**
- 6pm Thank yous and invitation to reception in Main Building Faculty Lounge.  
Join us for cake and a toast to the IIS!