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# Toronto Thoracic Surgery Refresher Conference

June 12 - 13, 2026 | Windsor Arms Hotel, 18 St. Thomas Street

## PROGRAM Day 1 – Friday June 12, 2026

TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER
0730	Coffee and Light Breakfast with Exhibitors	
0750	Welcome, Course Co-Directors	Kazuhiro Yasufuku Marcelo Cypel
<b>Morning Session I – Lung Cancer Innovations   Chair: Marcelo Cypel</b>		
0800	Modern Surgical Management of Early-Stage NSCLC	Dennis Wigle
0820	Segmentectomy in the Era of Randomized Trials	Tom Waddell
0840	The evolution of combined modality therapy in NSCLC over 40 years	Eric Vallieres
0900	EBUS: from Invention to Clinical Gold Standard	Kazuhiro Yasufuku
0920	Panel Discussion with Audience Participation	All Session I Speakers
0950	Refreshment Break with Exhibitors	
<b>Morning Session II – Thoracic Oncology &amp; Advanced Techniques   Chair: Kazuhiro Yasufuku</b>		
1020	Robotic Thoracic Surgery: Current State and Future	Waël Hanna
1040	Management of Stage III and IV Thymomas	Shaf Keshavjee
1100	Surgery for Oligometastatic Lung Cancer	Aman Coonar
1120	Use of Mechanical Support in Thoracic Oncology	Sahar Saddoughi
1140	Panel Discussion with Audience Participation	All Session II Speakers
1200	Lunch	
<b>Afternoon Session I – Lung Transplantation &amp; Complex Thoracic Surgery   Chair: Shaf Keshavjee</b>		
1300	Lobar Lung Transplantation for Advanced Lung Disease	Masaaki Sato
1320	Minimal Invasive Approaches in Lung Transplantation	Konrad Hoetzenecker
1340	ECMO in lung Transplantation and Thoracic Surgery	Philippe Lemaitre
1400	Innovations in Lung Transplantation	Marcelo Cypel
1420	Panel Discussion with Audience Participation	All Session I Speakers
1500	Refreshment Break with Exhibitors	
<b>Afternoon Session II – International Perspectives   Chair: Marc de Perrot</b>		
1530	Starting a Minimally Invasive Esophageal Surgery Program	Jarlath Bolger
1550	Multimodal Therapy for High Risk CTEPH Patients	Justin Issard



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1610	Thoracic Oncology in Europe: Where Surgery Fits Today	Isabelle Opitz
1630	Discussion with Audience	All Session II Speakers
1700	Adjourn Educational Sessions Day 1	
1900	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner   7:00 pm to 10:00 pm   Ticketed Event	

## PROGRAM Day 2 – Saturday June 13, 2026

TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER
0730	Continental Breakfast	
<b>Morning Session I – Esophageal and Mediastinal Disease   Chair: Jonathan Yeung</b>		
0800	Contemporary Management of Esophageal Cancer	Gail Darling
0820	Better, Bigger and Smaller: Advancing Standard & Organ-Sparing Esophageal Cancer Resection	Biniam Kidane
0840	Management of TEF	Jonathan Yeung
0900	Complex Airway Reconstruction for Benign Disease	Paulo Cardoso
0920	Discussion with Audience	All Session I Speakers
0940	Refreshment Break with Exhibitors	
<b>Morning Session II – Complex Thoracic Disease   Chair: Laura Donahoe</b>		
1000	Surgical Management of Pleural Malignancies	Marc de Perrot
1020	Management of Germ Cell Tumors Mediastinum	Laura Donahoe
1040	Complex Chest Wall Resections	Elliot Wakeam
1100	Advanced Pulmonary Endoscopic Procedures	Kasia Czarnecka
1120	Panel Discussion with Audience Participation	All Session II Speakers
<b>Thoracic Tumor Board   Chair: Andrew Pierre</b>		
1130	Case 1: Stage I Lung cancer Case 2: Stage III Lung cancer Case 3: Recurrent Thymoma	
1230	Panel Discussion (Penelope Bradbury, Marc de Perrot, Andrea Bezjak)	
1300	Closing Remarks	Kazuhiro Yasufuku
1315	Adjourn	