THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING

16-19 JULY 2015

RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA
THURSDAY, JULY 16

1 • **PRESIDENT’S PLENARY • ENERGY REGIMES OF THE EARLY REPUBLIC**
   Oak Forest B

   **WELCOME** • Ann Fabian, Rutgers University
   Seth Rockman, Brown University

   **PRESIDING** • Rachel St. John, New York University

   **PANELISTS** • Thomas Andrews, University of Colorado, Boulder
   Thomas Finger, Northern Arizona University
   Marisa Fuentes, Rutgers University, New Brunswick
   Christopher Jones, Arizona State University

   **COMMENT** • the Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17

2 • **AMERICANS IN MOTION: CONTESTED MEANINGS OF MOBILITY IN THE ANTEBELLUM UNITED STATES**
   Magnolia II

   **PRESIDING** • Joshua Greenberg, Bridgewater State University

   **Vagrant Paupers: Mobility, Residence, and the Politics of Need in the Early 19th-Century Mid-Atlantic**
   Kristin O’Brassill-Kulfan, University of Leicester

   **Stagecoaches, Taverns, and Respectability: Travel and Womanhood on the National Road, 1818-1850**
   Hilary Miller, Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg

   **Footloose Founders: Young Men, Booster Culture, and Restless Mobility in the Antebellum West**
   William Wagner, University of Colorado, Denver

   **COMMENT** • Kirsten E. Wood, Florida International University
3 • **WHITE FRIGHT: RUMOR, REVOLT, AND MOBILITY IN AMERICAN SLAVERY**
Willow Oak

**PRESIDING •** Douglas R. Egerton, LeMoyne College

*White Fright: Slave Revolts in American Memory*
Richard Follett, University of Sussex

*Mobility, Messages, and Power: The Problem of Commerce in American Slavery*
Susan Eva O’Donovan, University of Memphis

**COMMENT •** Matt D. Childs, University of South Carolina
Douglas R. Egerton

4 • **CAPITAL, SPACE, AND CULTURE: NEW APPROACHES TO THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF THE EARLY REPUBLIC**
Magnolia I

**PRESIDING •** Jessica Lepler, University of New Hampshire

*Commerce and Power*
Dael Norwood, Binghamton University

*Making Money: Coin, Currency, and the Coming of Capitalism*
Christine Desan, Harvard Law School

*Underwritten States: Marine Insurance and the Making of Bodies Politic in America, 1622-1815*
Hannah Farber, Boston College

*1812: War and the Passions of Patriotism*
Nicole Eustace, New York University

*Planners, Planters, and Slaves: The Social Construction of Early National South Carolina*
Ryan Quintana, Wellesley College

**COMMENT •** the Audience
5 • **WHITE HOUSE PARLOR POLITICS**
Hannover III

**PRESIDING** • Catherine Allgor, Huntington Library

“To Pay the Compliments of the Season”: Scenes from the White House New Year’s Day Receptions
Alexis McCrossen, Southern Methodist University

“Always in the Parlor with Mr. Polk”: Space and Power in the Polk White House
Amy S. Greenberg, Pennsylvania State University

*The First First Lady: Harriet Lane in the White House*
Thomas J. Balcerski, Eastern Connecticut State University

**COMMENT** • Charlene Boyer Lewis, Kalamazoo College
Catherine Allgor

6 • **VIOLENCE, BELONGING, AND ASYLUM: NEW GEOGRAPHIES OF THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD**
Hannover II

**PRESIDING** • Leigh Fought, LeMoyne College

*Louisiana Runaways and the Southern Underground Railroad, 1804-1811*
Mekala Audain, College of New Jersey

*Violence and the Geographies of the Underground Railroad*
Robert H. Churchill, University of Hartford

*Runaway Slaves, Citizenship and Belonging in the Early Republic*
Scott Hancock, Gettysburg College

**COMMENT** • Richard J.M. Blackett, Vanderbilt University
FRIDAY, JULY 17 8:30-10:15 AM

7 • DISABILITY, SECULARITY, AND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE EARLY AMERICAN BODY
Capital Room

PRESIDING • Amanda Stuckey, College of William and Mary

Eighteenth-Century “Epidemics of the Will”
Greta LaFleur, Yale University

Jonathan Plummer’s Conversions: Narrating Disability in the Early Republic
Ben Bascom, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Clara Wieland’s Palsied Hand and the Problem of the Buffered Self
Scott Larson, George Washington University

COMMENT • Sari Altschuler, University of South Florida

FRIDAY, JULY 17 10:30-12:15 AM

8 • HISTORICAL THINKING AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION IN THE EARLY AMERICAN REPUBLIC
Hannover II

PRESIDING • David Holland, Harvard University

A Palmyra in the Desert: Cities, Gender, and History in Early American Classicism
Simon Finger, Penn Humanities Forum

Getting Unaccustomed to War: The Historical Imagination of Nineteenth-Century Peace Reformers
Margot Minardi, Reed College

The Peculiar Institution in an Era of Freedom: Slavery and Historical Contingency in Antebellum America
Jordan T. Watkins, University of Nevada

COMMENT • Eran Shalev, Haifa University
FRIDAY, JULY 17 10:30-12:15 AM

9 • MARITIME AND GENDERED ENCOUNTERS IN THE PACIFIC DURING THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Capital Room

PRESIDING • Gene Allen Smith, Texas Christian University

An Empire of Commerce: “Merchant Navigators” in the Pacific before Manifest Destiny
Michael D. Block, University of Southern California
“A Judicious Exhibition of Maritime Strength”: American Naval Expeditions in the South Pacific and East Indies as Indian Warfare, 1830-1842
Michael Verney, University of New Hampshire
By a Lady: An American Sea Captain’s Wife and Moral Authority in Nineteenth-Century Fiji
Nancy Shoemaker, University of Connecticut

COMMENT • Dane Morrison, Salem State University

10 • NEW PERSPECTIVES ON ANTEBELLUM AFRICAN AMERICAN RELIGION
Hannover III

PRESIDING • Corey D.B. Walker, Winston-Salem State University

Black Politics and Religion in the World Dred Scott Made
Christopher Bonner, University of Maryland
“Holy Women Ministered unto Christ”: Maria Stewart, Black Freemasonry, and Black Public Culture
Chernoh Sesay Jr., DePaul University
“I Would at Once Confess Myself an Atheist”: Slavery, Religious Skepticism, and African American Freethought
Christopher Cameron, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

COMMENT • John Ernest, University of Delaware
11 • Roundtable: Teaching Capitalism in the Early Republic
Magnolia II

Presiding • Gary J. Kornblith, Oberlin College

Panelists • Courtney Fullilove, Wesleyan University
John Lauritz Larson, Purdue University
Will B. Mackintosh, University of Mary Washington
Joshua Rothman, University of Alabama
Rachel Tamar Van, Cal Poly Pomona

Comment • the Audience

12 • Enslaved Women Waging Law in the Nineteenth-Century American South
Willow Oak

Presiding • Martha S. Jones, University of Michigan

Enslaved Women, Claims-Making, and the Local Courts in the Antebellum Natchez District
Kimberly M. Welch, West Virginia University

Economic Crimes of Enslaved Women in South Carolina’s Court of Magistrates and Freeholders, 1800-1860
Justene G. Hill, Princeton University

Routes of Resistance: Enslaved Women’s Encounters with Mobility
Tamika Y. Richeson, Oberlin College

Comment • Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard University
13 • ROUNDTABLE: USABLE PASTS? THE EMERGENCE OF EARLY US LATINA/O HISTORIOGRAPHY
Magnolia I

PRESIDING • Claudia Milian, Duke University

PANELISTS • Raúl Coronado, University of California, Berkeley
Emily Garcia, Northeastern Illinois State University
Rodrigo Lazo, University of California, Irvine
Raúl A. Ramos, University of Houston
Omar Valerio-Jiménez, University of Iowa

COMMENT • the Audience

14 • EARLY AMERICA AND THE OCEANIC WORLD
Hannover II

PRESIDING • Timothy Marr, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Antebellum Coral
Michele Navakas, Miami University

Hemispheric Archipelagoes
Lindsay Van Tine, Columbia University

Islam and Barbary
Jason M. Payton, Sam Houston State University

COMMENT • Timothy Marr
15 • A CONVERSATION WITH CLARENCE WALKER ABOUT BLACK HISTORY
Willow Oak

PRESIDING • Gregory D. Smithers, Virginia Commonwealth University

PANELISTS • Nick Salvatore, Cornell University
Alan Taylor, University of Virginia
Jan Ellen Lewis, Rutgers University, Newark
Daniel Littlefield, University of South Carolina
Brian D. Behnken, Iowa State University

COMMENT • Clarence Walker, University of California, Davis

16 • SLAVERY, VIOLENCE, AND RESISTANCE THROUGH THE LENS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES
Hannover III

PRESIDING • Daniel Rood, University of Georgia

The Collar and the Chain: Mobilizing and Materializing Labor and Violence in the Lives of the Enslaved
Darla Thompson, Independent Scholar

Implacable Enemies: Dogs, Slaves, and Slave Hunters and the Technologies of the Atlantic World
Tyler D. Parry, California State University, Fullerton
Charlton W. Yingling, University of South Carolina

COMMENT • Deirdre Cooper Owens, Queens College, CUNY
Daniel Rood
FRIDAY, JULY 17 2:00-3:45 PM

17 • NATURE AND THE MARKET IN THE NORTHWESTERN BORDERLANDS OF THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Capital Room

PRESIDING • Martin Hershock, University of Michigan, Dearborn

New York’s Forests of Sugar: The 1790s Maple Sugar Boom and the Economic Rhetoric of Preservation
Hendrik Isom, Brown University

The Vanishing Landscape: The Forest, Indians, and Animals in Central and Western New York, 1790-1840
Chad Anderson, University of California, Davis

Landscapes of Scarcity: Nature, the Market, and Agro-Ecological Decline in the Connecticut Western Reserve
John Henris, University of Arkansas, Monticello

Frontier Property: Lawyers and the Development of a Capitalist Environment in the Connecticut Western Reserve
Justin Simard, University of Pennsylvania

COMMENT • William Kerrigan, Muskingum University

18 • ROUNDTABLE: INDIANS, RACE, AND THE U.S. STATE IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Magnolia II

PRESIDING • Ari Kelman, Pennsylvania State University

PANELISTS • Michael Witgen, University of Michigan
Malinda Maynor Lowery, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Kiara Vigil, Amherst College
Christina Snyder, Indiana University

COMMENT • the Audience
19 • **Money, Migration, and Magic: Religious Exchange in the Early Republic**  
Magnolia I

**Presiding** • Jewel Spangler, University of Calgary

*Gender Cooperation and the Institutionalization of the New York Sunday School Movement, 1816-1828*  
Elise Leal, Baylor University

*Reconfiguring Faithfulness: Religious Contests in the Mississippi River Valley, 1810-1830*  
Christine A. Croxall, University of Delaware

*Moll Pitcher Speaks: Rethinking Divination and Treasure-Digging in the Early Republic*  
Adam Jortner, Auburn University

**Comment** • Johann Neem, Western Washington University  
Jewel Spangler

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20 • **Expanding the Archive: Visual Culture and Slavery in the Civil War Era**  
Hannover II

**Presiding** • Mary Niall Mitchell, University of New Orleans

*Freedom in Sight: The Photographic Counter-Archive of Slaves and Freedpeople*  
Matthew Fox-Amato, Washington University in St. Louis

*Expanding the Visual Field: Black Photographers and the Civil War*  
Aston Gonzalez, Salisbury University

**Comment** • Erica L. Ball, California State University, Fullerton

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**Friday, July 17**  
**2:00-3:45 PM**

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**Friday, July 17**  
**4:00-5:45 PM**
A Fruitful Marriage? Exploring Biography and Micro-history in Nineteenth-Century American History (Papers for this session are available at www.shear.org for advanced reading.)
Capital Room

Presiding • Paul E. Johnson, University of South Carolina

Silenced by a Pistol: John Hampden Pleasants, Slavery and the Disappearance of Dissent in Virginia
Suzanne Cooper Guasco, Queens University of Charlotte

Outstanding and Ordinary: Emily Chubbuck Judson and the Advantages of Popular Authorship for Micro-history
Nicholas Marshall, Marist College

The Strange Case of Ichabod Smellfungus: Parody, Politics, and Party in the Early Republic
Patrick Allan Pospisek, Grand Valley State University

Comment • C. Dallett Hemphill, Ursinus College
Paul E. Johnson

Roundtable: Gender and Genius in the Early Republic
Willow Oak

Presiding • Barbara Oberg, Princeton University

Panelists • Kirsten Fischer, University of Minnesota
Lucia McMahon, William Paterson University
Margaret Sumner, Ohio State University, Marion
Timothy Williams, University of Oregon

Comment • Barbara Oberg
23 • THE CONTOURS OF SECOND SLAVERY: BRAZIL, CUBA, AND THE UNITED STATES
Hannover III

PRESIDING • Oscar de la Torre, University of North Carolina, Charlotte

The United States and the Contraband Slave Trade of the Second Slavery, 1820-1867
Leonardo Marques, Universidade de São Paulo

Domestic Slavery in Comparative Perspective: Paraíba Valley and Mississippi Valley, 1820-1860
Mariana Muaze, Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro

“A Thirst for Making Money”: The Role of Cuba in the Formulation of the Monroe Doctrine
Stephen Chambers, Independent Scholar

Fugitive Slave Communities and Economic Investments in Maranhão Cotton, 1755-1815
Rejane Valvano Corrêa da Silva, Federal University of Maranhão
Luiz Alberto Couceiro, Federal University of Maranhão

COMMENT • Anthony Kaye, Pennsylvania State University

24 • KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY: GENDER, CREDIT, AND MARKET CREATION
Magnolia I

PRESIDING • Catherine Kelly, University of Oklahoma

The Wife as Manager: Reconsidering the Early American Household Economy
Mary Beth Sievens, State University of New York at Fredonia
Banking on Kinship in Early America
Lindsay Keiter, College of William and Mary

To Have and to Hold: African American Women and Inheritance in Colonial Liberia
Marie Stango, University of Michigan

COMMENT • Cathy Matson, University of Delaware
Catherine Kelly

25 • Real Estate and Morality in the Early American Republic (Primary sources for this session are available at www.shear.org for advanced reading.)
Magnolia II

PRESIDING • Aaron Wunsch, University of Pennsylvania

No Place to Lay His Head? Western Land, Christian Empire, and the Performance of Poverty in the Early Republic
Seth Perry, Princeton University

Preservation, Sacred Space, and Market Morality in Jacksonian America
Whitney Martinko, Villanova University

Health, Wealth, and the Morality of Sanitation in Antebellum Manhattan
Catherine McNeur, Portland State University

COMMENT • the Audience
Saturday, July 18

26 • By the Hair of their Chins: Manhood, Coercion, and the Body in the Early Republic
Willow Oak

PRESIDING • Craig Thompson Friend, North Carolina State University

“The Smooth, Glossy, Untufted Skull of Honest Freedom”: Wigs, Short Hair, and Early Republican Manhood
Sarah Gold McBride, University of California, Berkeley

Putting the Dash in Mustache: Militarism and the Reinvention of the Gentleman in Early Nineteenth-Century Europe and America
Christopher Oldstone-Moore, Wright State University

One Small Step for Beards, One Giant Leap for Misogyny: Alonzo Lewis and the Imperatives of Manhood
Sean Trainor, Pennsylvania State University

COMMENT • Stephen Berry, University of Georgia
Ami Pflugrad-Jackisch, University of Toledo

27 • Roundtable: The Long Emancipation in the Early American Republic
Magnolia I

PRESIDING • Jessica Millward, University of California, Irvine

PANELISTS • Patricia A. Lott, College of William and Mary
Kate Masur, Northwestern University
Richard S. Newman, Library Company of Philadelphia
Paul J. Polgar, University of Mississippi

COMMENT • the Audience
SATURDAY, JULY 18 8:30-10:15 AM

28 • Speculating in Nationhood: Intellectual Histories of the Land Business
Hannover III

Presiding • Andrew Shankman, Rutgers University, Camden

Exceptional Speculations: Land Speculators and Ideology in the Early American Republic
Michael Blaakman, Yale University
Cultivating “Federal Sentiments” in the West: “A Foreign Spectator” and the Problem of Land Speculators
Mark Boonshoft, Ohio State University
Copyrighting the Yazoo: Literary Speculation in the Federalist Coalition
Nora Slonimsky, The Graduate Center, CUNY

Comment • Susan Gaunt Stearns, Northwestern University

29 • New Perspectives on Women and the Slave Trade in Early America
Capital Room

Presiding • Steven Deyle, University of Houston

“Patty Cannon is in Custody”: Female Traffickers and the Reverse Underground Railroad
Richard Bell, University of Maryland, College Park
Lady Flesh Stealers, Female Soul Drivers, and She-Merchants: White Women and the American Slave Market
Stephanie Jones-Rogers, University of California, Berkeley
Mrs. Omohundro’s Boarding House: Domestic Economy and the Richmond Slave Market
Alexandra Finley, College of William and Mary

Comment • Adam Rothman, Georgetown University
30 • **FRANCO-AMERICAN CONNECTIONS AND COMPARISONS, 1815-1848: STATE-BUILDING, RACE, AND REVOLUTION**
Hannover II

**PRESIDING •** Jeffrey J. Malanson, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne

*Abdelkader El Djezairi in Franco-American Relations, 1830-1847*
Timothy M. Roberts, Western Illinois University

*Gustave de Beaumont’s Marie or Slavery in the United States: a French Analysis of Race in Jacksonian America*
Laurence Cossu-Beaumont, Université Paris 3–Sorbonne Nouvelle

*American Diplomacy and the French Revolution of 1830: William Cabell Rives’s Strategic Negotiations over the Spoliation Claims*
Yohanna Alimi-Levy, Université Paris Diderot

**COMMENT •** Niels Eichhorn, Middle Georgia State College
Jeffrey J. Malanson

31 • **FOOD POLITICS AND GENDER IN THE ANTEBELLUM ERA**
Magnolia II

**PRESIDING •** Cindy R. Lobel, Lehman College

*Mrs. Bigelow’s Fête Champagne: Antebellum Food Politics Abroad and at Home*
Rachel Hope Cleves, University of Victoria

*Paying the Entertaining “Tax”: Washington Society and Presidential Dining, 1817-1829*
Amanda Milian, Texas Christian University

*“Cabin Raisins” and Harrison Cake: Naming Practices of Antebellum Political Recipes*
Susan J. Stanfield, University of Iowa

**COMMENT •** Amanda Moniz, National History Center
32 • **Queering the Archive: New Work from the Queering Slavery Working Group (#QSWG)**
Hannover II

**Presiding** • Leslie M. Harris, Emory University

*Queer Kinship and African American Strategies of Resistance and Survival*
Vanessa M. Holden, Michigan State University

*Kinship and Intimacy in a World of Slaves*
Jessica Marie Johnson, Michigan State University

*The Thrill: Spectacular Risks and the Affective Life of Racialized Sexual Commerce in Antebellum New Orleans*
Emily A. Owens, Harvard University

*Intimate Acts*
Lisa Ze Winters, Wayne State University

**Comment** • Leslie M. Harris

33 • **Antebellum Women Reformers: Radicalism, Reason, Morality, and Ethics**
Willow Oak

**Presiding** • Carol Lasser, Oberlin College

*Wife, Mother, Radical: Rethinking Woman’s Rights in the Nineteenth Century*
Nancy A. Hewitt, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

*“A Moral Failure”: Women and the Politics of Slavery in the 1850s*
Stacey Robertson, Central Washington University

*“The Unwritten Law of Prejudice”: Reason, Justice, and Ethics in Antebellum Northwestern Women’s Reform*
Silvana R. Siddali, Saint Louis University

**Comment** • Nikki M. Taylor, Texas Southern University
SATURDAY, JULY 18 10:30-12:15 AM

34 • ROUNDTABLE: NEW APPROACHES TO THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Capital Room

PRESIDING • David Waldstreicher, The Graduate Center, CUNY

PANELISTS • Kariann Yokota, University of Colorado, Denver
Nancy Isenberg, Louisiana State University
Benjamin Carp, Brooklyn College, CUNY
Robert G. Parkinson, Binghamton University

COMMENT • the Audience

35 • SETTLERS AND VIGILANTES: VIOLENCE AND THE CONTESTED NATURE OF PUBLIC AUTHORITY
Magnolia I

PRESIDING • Jason Opal, McGill University

Institutional Violence: State-making and Indian-killing in the Early West
Jessica Choppin Roney, Temple University
Hunting Heads: The Harpe Murders and Keeping Order in the Early West
Katherine Grandjean, Wellesley College
Stories of Indemnity, Stories of Pardon: What the 1835 Baltimore Bank Riot Tells Us about Public Authority in the Early Republic
Adam Malka, University at Buffalo, SUNY

COMMENT • Bethel Saler, Haverford College
36 • NORTH CAROLINA'S FREE PEOPLE OF COLOR IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Magnolia II

PRESIDING • Julie Winch, University of Massachusetts Boston

Good Neighbors: North Carolina’s Free People of Color in the Early Republic
Warren Milteer, Jr., Virginia Tech
“Orderly Good Citizens”: Race and Civic Identity in New Bern, North Carolina
Catherine W. Bishir, North Carolina State University
When Africans, Indians, Mulattoes, and Mestizos, too, Became People of Color
Larry E. Tise, East Carolina University

COMMENT • Melvin Patrick Ely, College of William & Mary

37 • PERSPECTIVES ON ENERGY AND THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Hannover III

PRESIDING • David Singerman, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

What Americans Talked about When They Weren’t Talking About Energy: Energy History in the Early Republic
Peter Shulman, Case Western Reserve University
Empire’s Metabolism: Flesh and Fodder in the British Empire in the Early Nineteenth Century
Rebecca J.H. Woods, Columbia University
Dungeons and Dragons: Work and Power in Antebellum Coal Mines, Gas Works, and Gaslights
Jeremy Zallen, Lafayette College

COMMENT • Sean Adams, University of Florida
38 • GRADUATE SEMINARS (see descriptions on page 19-22; participants pick up lunch on Mezzanine before joining seminar group)

Slavery and Race Formation (Hannover II)
Thavolia Glynmph, Duke University
Craig Steven Wilder, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Capitalism, Labor, and Political Economy (Hannover III)
Christopher Clark, University of Connecticut
Paul Gilje, University of Oklahoma

Cultural History (Magnolia I)
Jay Cook, University of Michigan
Alexis McCrossen, Southern Methodist University

Politics and Political Culture (Magnolia II)
Joanne Freeman, Yale University
Barbara Oberg, Princeton University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:00-3:45 PM

39 • APPROPRIATING DIFFERENCE: PERFORMING INDIGENITY AND BLACKNESS IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC Hannover II

PRESIDING • Catherine María Rodríguez, Yale University

“The Next in Rank to Human Race”: The Uses of Indigeneity in Northeastern Almanacs
Matt DiCintio, Tufts University

Gothic Native Bodies: Power and Supernatural Performance in the Early Republic
Christiana Molldrem Harkulich, University of Pittsburgh

SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:00-3:45 PM

Rhythms of Difference: Diasporic Mobility in the Atlantic Archives
Esther J. Terry, University of Pittsburgh

**COMMENT** • Jules Odendahl-James, Duke University
Catherine María Rodríguez

**40 • RETHINKING WOMEN'S EDUCATION IN EARLY AMERICA: SCIENCE, RACE, AND BEAUTY**
Capital Room

**PRESIDING** • Sheila Skemp, University of Mississippi

*1833-1834: In Loving Memory of a Female Academy*
Kabria Baumgartner, The College of Wooster

*The Scientific Woman: Education and Scientific Practice in the Early Republic*
Jessica Linker, University of Connecticut

*The Casket and the Jewel: The Body, the Brain, and the Politics of Female Intelligence*
Rachel Walker, University of Maryland

**COMMENT** • Mary Kelley, University of Michigan

**41 • SLAVERY: A STATE OF THE FIELD ROUNDTABLE**
Magnolia II

**PRESIDING** • Julie Saville, University of Chicago

**PANELISTS** • Adrienne D. Davis, Washington University in St. Louis
James T. Downs, Connecticut College
Laurent Dubois, Duke University
Dale Tomich, Binghamton University

**COMMENT** • the Audience

**SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:00-3:45 PM**

**42 • CITIZENSHIP AND RELIGIOUS IDENTITY: CONTROVERSIES WITH AND AMONG QUAKERS, MORMONS, AND SHAKERS, 1777-1840**
Magnolia I
PRESIDING • Bridget Ford, California State University, East Bay

Open for Business: Philadelphia Quakers, Thanksgiving, and the Limits of Revolutionary Religious Freedom
Tara Strauch, College of Wooster

Citizen Shaker
Jennifer Dorsey, Siena College

When Joseph Smith Met Martin Van Buren: Mormonism and the Politics of Religious Liberty
Spencer W. McBride, Joseph Smith Papers

COMMENT • Amanda Porterfield, Florida State University

43 • THINGS IN MOTION: ACTIVATING THE MATERIAL CULTURE OF THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Hannover III

PRESIDING • J. Ritchie Garrison, University of Delaware

Ribbons of Revolution: Cockades across the Atlantic
Ashli White, University of Miami

Movement in the Row House in Antebellum Boston
Jeffrey Klee, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

On the Trail of John Brown’s Pikes: Assembling the Future in Antebellum America
Jason Phillips, West Virginia University

COMMENT • Cynthia Falk, State University of New York College at Oneonta
SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:00-3:45 PM

44 • ROUNDTABLE: HOW DOES A REPUBLIC BECOME AN EMPIRE?
Willow Oak

PRESIDING • Rosemarie Zagarri, George Mason University

PANELISTS • Emily Conroy-Krutz, Michigan State University
Kathleen DuVal, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Eliga Gould, University of New Hampshire
Brandon Mills, University of Colorado, Denver
Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, University of Michigan

COMMENT • the Audience

SATURDAY, JULY 18 4:00-5:00 PM

45 • Pecha-Kucha
Hannover II & III

PRESIDING • Liz Covart, Ben Franklin’s World

The Mercenary Merchant: George Morgan and the Failed New Madrid Colony, 1786-1789
Timothy C. Hemmis, University of Southern Mississippi
Colonization and the Politics of Antislavery Slaveholders
Andrew Hammann, Stanford University
Men of Sorrow, Objects of Grief: Undertakers and Funerary Goods, 1820-1860
Kelly B. Arehart, College of William and Mary
The Nat Turner Project: The Southampton Revolt in the Digital Age
Sarah Roth, Widener University

COMMENT • the Audience
SATURDAY, JULY 18  

46 • PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS  
Old State Capitol

PRESIDING • Jan Ellen Lewis, Rutgers University, Newark

The Long Life of William Blanding: Doctor, Apothecary, Naturalist  
Ann Fabian, Rutgers University, New Brunswick


SUNDAY, JULY 19  

8:30-10:15 AM

47 • DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, CRITIQUE: A ROUNDTABLE OF THE STATES AND FUTURES OF THE FIELD  
Hannover III

PRESIDING • Jane Kamensky, Brown University

PANELISTS • Brian Connolly, University of South Florida  
Brigitte Fielder, University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Jen Manion, Connecticut College  
Alyssa Mt. Pleasant, University of Buffalo, SUNY  
Elizabeth Pryor, Smith College

COMMENT • the Audience

48 • THE NORTH AND THE NATION, 1830-1860  
Capital Room

PRESIDING • Michael T. Bernath, University of Miami

The Problem of Northern Nationalism  
Ariel Ron, Yale Center for Representative Institutions

Farmers and Planters: Soil and the Landscape of Sectional Difference  
Philip M. Herrington, James Madison University

SUNDAY, JULY 19  

8:30-10:15 AM
Yankee Notions, Yankee Nation: Horace Greeley and the Making of the North
James M. Lundberg, Lake Forest College

COMMENT • Susan-Mary Grant, Newcastle University

49 • FRAUGHT WITH FEAR, FIGHTING, AND FORGETTING: UNDERSTANDING REBELLION IN ANTEBELLUM COMMUNITIES
Willow Oak

PRESIDING • Lyra Monteiro, Rutgers University, Newark

“Disciples of the Declaration”: Rebels, Resistance, and the Politics of Slave Insurgency
Matthew Clavin, University of Houston

“They Ought All to Be Exterminated”: African American Remembrances and Trauma after Nat Turner’s Insurrection
Kay Wright Lewis, Norfolk State University

“At the Risk of Our Own Lives”: Violence and the Fugitive Slave Law in Pennsylvania
Kellie Carter Jackson, Hunter College, CUNY

COMMENT • Walter Rucker, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

50 • REVOLUTIONARY ROADS: THE MOVEMENT OF IDEAS IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Hannover II

PRESIDING • Robyn Lily Davis, Millersville University

Vessels: An Episode of the Haitian Revolution Comes to the United States
James Alexander Dun, Princeton University

SUNDAY, JULY 19 8:30-10:15 AM

“Method So Plain, So Easy the Way”: Debating the Movement of Musical Knowledge in the Early Republic
Patrick W. O’Neil, Methodist University  
*Mapping Women’s Networks: Recipes and the Negotiation of Domesticity in North America, 1830-1860*  
Rachel A. Snell, University of Maine

**COMMENT** • Sarah J. Purcell, Grinnell College  
Robyn Lily Davis

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**SUNDAY, JULY 19  10:30-12:15 AM**

**51 • SCIENCE, SLAVERY, AND THE STATE: MAKING SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE IN A SLAVEHOLDING REPUBLIC**
Willow Oak

**PRESIDING** • John W. Sweet, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

*The Entangled Histories of Antislavery, Republicanism, and Science: The Strange Science of Dr. Benjamin Rush*  
Eric Herschthal, Columbia University

*“To Sponge upon the Planters”: Patronage, Conchology, and Deep History in Antebellum Alabama*  
Cameron Strang, University of Nevada, Reno

*The Black Afterlives of Early National Science*  
Britt Rusert, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

**COMMENT** • Rana Hogarth, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
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52 • FAMILY TIES IN SLAVERY AND FREEDOM
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Gender, Family, and Freedom in Post-Revolutionary New England
Gloria McCahon Whiting, Harvard University

Mastering the Unfamiliar
Joanne Pope Melish, University of Kentucky

Enslavement and Emancipation in Indian Territory
Fay Yarbrough, Rice University

COMMENT • Thomas L. Doughton, College of the Holy Cross

53 • PRACTICAL RELIGION IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC
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PRESIDING: Jonathan D. Sassi, College of Staten Island and CUNY Graduate Center

“To make Religion One’s Business”: Practical Piety and Protestant Devotional Literature in the Early Republic
Janet Moore Lindman, Rowan University

The Family that Prays Together: Piety, Authority, and Practice in Early Republican Households
Shelby M. Balik, Metropolitan State University of Denver

The Congregation and Contested Masculinity: Manhood and Religion in the Early Republic
Monica Fitzgerald, St. Mary’s College

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54 • NINE MONTHS IN PHILADELPHIA: BRITISH OCCUPATION IN AMERICA'S REVOLUTIONARY CAPITAL
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PRESIDING • Benjamin H. Irvin, University of Arizona

Intimate Occupation: Gender and the Home in British-Occupied Philadelphia, 1777-1778
   Lauren Duval, American University
Meschianza Ladies: Young Women, Politics, and the American Revolution
   Kendra Kennedy, University of Utah
“That Brilliant Revolution is Accomplished”: The British Occupation of Philadelphia and the End of the American Revolution
   Aaron Sullivan, Temple University

COMMENT • Serena Zabin, Carleton College