

*Thirty-Third Annual Meeting*

*July 14-17, 2011*

*Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

## *Special Events & Meetings*

*All events are in the Doubletree Philadelphia unless indicated by \**

### **THURSDAY, JULY 14**

- 2:00-4:00 pm Walking the Constitutional City, American Philosophical Society, 104 South Fifth Street
- 3:00-5:00 pm Conference Registration, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, University of Pennsylvania, 3355 Woodland Walk
- 5:15-7:15pm Opening Plenary, University of Pennsylvania Law School, 3400 Chestnut Street
- 7:30-9:00 pm Opening Reception, McNeil Center for Early American Studies, University of Pennsylvania, 3355 Woodland Walk (generously sponsored by the McNeil Center for Early American Studies and the University of Pennsylvania Press)

### **FRIDAY, JULY 15**

- 7:30-9:00 am Boydston Women's Breakfast, Parc Restaurant, 227 South 18<sup>th</sup> Street
- 8:00 am-2:00 pm Conference Registration, Doubletree Third Floor Atrium
- 8:00 am-5:00 pm Book Exhibit
- 12:00-1:30 pm Graduate Student Lunch Session, Cassatt House, 1320 Locust Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room (generously sponsored by the David Library of the American Revolution)
- 12:30-2:00 pm *JER* Editorial Board Meeting, Library Company of Philadelphia, Logan Room
- 3:00-5:00 pm Common-place Editorial Board Meeting, Cassatt House, 1320 Locust Street

6:00-7:30 p.m. Reception, The Union League of Philadelphia, Meade Room, 140 South Broad Street (generously sponsored by the Library Company of Philadelphia, *Common-place: The Interactive Journal of Early American Life*, and the David Library of the American Revolution)

### **SATURDAY, JULY 16**

8:00 am-2:00 pm Conference Registration, Doubletree Third Floor Atrium  
8:00 am-5:00 pm Book Exhibit  
12:30-2:00 pm SHEAR Advisory Council Meeting, Cassatt House, 1320 Locust Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room  
4:00-5:00 pm SHEAR Business Meeting  
6:00-7:00 pm Presidential Address, Racquet Club of Philadelphia, Reading Room, 215 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street  
7:00-9:00 pm Banquet, Racquet Club of Philadelphia, Main Dining Room, 215 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street (made possible by the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia)

### **SUNDAY, JULY 17**

9:00 am-12:45 pm Conference Registration, Doubletree Third Floor Atrium  
8:00 am-12:00pm Book Exhibit

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## *Local Arrangements*

### **SHEAR 2011: Philadelphia**

Philadelphia welcomes SHEAR back to the City of Brotherly Love for its 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting, July 14 through July 17, 2011, the third conference in the city since SHEAR moved its headquarters here in 2004. Events begin with the Opening Plenary session at the University of Pennsylvania Law School

followed by a reception across the street at the McNeil Center for Early American Studies on Thursday evening. Most other conference sessions and events—unless otherwise noted in the program—will be held at the conference hotel, the Doubletree Hotel Philadelphia. Please feel free to contact the SHEAR business office at (215) 746-5393 or [info@shear.org](mailto:info@shear.org) for details. Additional information regarding the conference, including online registration, is available on the SHEAR website, <http://www.shear.org> under “Annual Meeting.”

**All preregistration must be completed online.**

*Registration deadlines:*

Conference preregistration: June 14, 2011  
Hotel rooms at conference rate: June 14, 2011

Preregistration is \$70 for members (\$80 after June 14), and \$100 for non-members (\$110 after June 14). Graduate Students are \$50 (\$60 after June 14).

SHEAR 2011 takes place in the heart of Center City Philadelphia, on the third- and fourth-floor meeting rooms of the Doubletree Hotel, 237 South Broad Street (the intersection of Locust and Broad Streets). Philadelphia is a natural home for SHEAR and its members. As the meeting place for both the First and Second Continental Congresses, it drew together leaders from all parts of North America, and in debates over independence became the “keystone” whose commitment to independence proved decisive. Indeed, two of the most important documents in the history of the United States, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of 1787, were drafted and signed in the Philadelphia State House, now Independence Hall. The city was also an important leader on other fronts—it was one of North America’s busiest and most profitable seaports, and the site of the first hospital, successful subscription library, philosophical society, bank, and government mint.

Philadelphia’s population expanded rapidly during the early republic as it grew from a sprawling provincial capital of almost 40,000 when the Revolution began to a commercial, industrializing city of 110,000 by 1820. The city had played a critical role as a colonial entrepôt, and with independence found itself at the center of national debates about the proper institutions and powers of governance. The ten years after 1790 when Philadelphia was the capital of the

United States, the seat of federal government witnessed intense drama connected to revolutions in France and Haiti, the Whiskey Rebellion, and Jay's Treaty. Meanwhile Philadelphia became an emigrant gateway, and for many their final destination, as a profusion of peoples and ethnicities flooded into the new nation.

These themes and more appear on the 2011 conference program. Add a full range of great dining options, balmy summer weather, and exciting, downtown night life, and Philadelphia should have something for everyone attending the 2011 SHEAR meeting.

*Registration and Special Events:*

**Registration:** All preregistration must be completed online by June 14, 2011. NOTE: credit cards may be used only through pre-registration online; on-site registration may be paid through cash or check only. On-site conference registration will begin on Thursday, July 14, at the McNeil Center for Early American Studies (3355 Woodland Walk on the University of Pennsylvania campus), though rates will be higher.

Registration will not take place at the Doubletree Hotel on July 14, as both the opening plenary and reception are on the University of Pennsylvania campus. Registration will thereafter take place in the third-floor atrium of the Doubletree Hotel on Friday and Saturday from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, and on Sunday from 9:00 am to 12:45 pm.

**Walking the Constitutional City:** A tour of Philadelphia's old city with Billy G. Smith of Montana State University, author of "*A Melancholy Scene of Devastation*": *The Public Response to the 1793 Philadelphia Yellow Fever Epidemic*; *Life in Early Philadelphia: Documents from the Revolutionary and Early National Periods*; and *The "Lower Sort."* *Philadelphia's Laboring People, 1750-1800*. Pre-registration is required. Space is limited to 25 participants. The tour will depart at 2 p.m. on Thursday from the American Philosophical Society at 104 South Fifth Street.

**Opening Plenary and Reception:** The conference will formally convene at 5:15 pm with a plenary session at the University of Pennsylvania's Law School located at 3400 Chestnut Street, followed by a reception at the McNeil Center

for Early American Studies, 3355 Woodland Walk, from 7:30-9:00pm. Established as the Philadelphia Center for Early American Studies in 1978, and renamed in honor of its benefactor Robert L. McNeil, Jr., in 1998, the McNeil Center facilitates scholarly inquiry into the histories and cultures of North America in the Atlantic world before 1850. This event is generously co-sponsored by the McNeil Center for Early American Studies and the University of Pennsylvania Press.

Please allow travel time to these opening night events. These are the only conference activities scheduled outside of Center City. The University of Pennsylvania campus is a 10-minute taxi cab or bus ride (take the #21 or 42 bus on Walnut Street to 34<sup>th</sup> Street), or a 30-minute walk from the Doubletree Hotel (start one block north of Locust to Walnut Street and walk to 34<sup>th</sup> Street).

**Boydston Women's Breakfast:** The women of SHEAR come together for their sixth annual Women's Breakfast honoring the career of long-time SHEAR member and supporter Jean Boydston. This event is scheduled for Friday from 7:30 to 9:00 am at Parc Restaurant, 227 South 18<sup>th</sup> Street, renowned for its fresh interpretation of Parisian bistro fare and located just four blocks west of the Doubletree Hotel down Locust Street. The menu includes an assortment of breakfast breads, your choice of an omelet with fine herbs and gruyere cheese or pancakes with blueberry compote and maple syrup, as well as coffee and tea. Please note that preregistration is required and that tickets are \$17. You will be asked to specify your breakfast selection at the time of registration.

**Graduate Student Luncheon Session:** Last year, SHEAR initiated a new tradition: a luncheon for graduate students during which they would meet and interact with leading scholars in the field of the Early American Republic. The meeting will be held at the Cassatt House, 1320 Locust Street, on Friday from noon to 1:30 pm. Please note that preregistration is required and that space is limited.

**Friday Evening Reception:** Friday evening's reception is at the Union League, July 15 from 6:00 pm to 7:30pm, located one block west and one block north of the Doubletree Hotel at 140 South Broad Street. The Union League of Philadelphia was founded in 1862 as a patriotic society to support the policies of President Abraham Lincoln. It served as a model for other

Union Leagues across a nation torn by Civil War. This event is generously co-sponsored by the Library Company of Philadelphia, *Common-place: An Interactive Journal of Early American Life*, and the David Library of the American Revolution.

**Saturday Presidential Address:** The 2011 presidential address will take place on July 16 from 6:00 to 7:00pm in the Reading Room of the Racquet Club of Philadelphia, a private social and athletic organization incorporated in 1889, and also home to the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, founded as a Scottish immigrants' relief association in the mid-eighteenth century. The Racquet Club is located at 215 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, two blocks west of the Doubletree Hotel. Tours of the St. Andrew's Society will be offered at 5:15pm just prior to the Presidential Address.

The President's Address is free and open to all conference participants, but please come early to ensure your seat.

**Saturday Banquet:** The 2011 banquet will also take place in the Racquet Club immediately following the President's Address. Banquet seating is limited to 180 and requires advance registration. Entrees include prime rib, Tuscan chicken, and glazed salmon, with a range of side dishes and a dessert buffet. Vegetarian options are available. Tickets are \$55.00 per person and include both an open bar throughout the event and wine with dinner. Those interested in attending should register early to guarantee availability; tickets will go quickly!

#### *Hotel Accommodations:*

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Doubletree Hotel, 237 South Broad Street, located in the heart of the Theatre District on the Avenue of the Arts. Rates are \$142/single or double, \$152/triple and \$162/quadruple, and are valid for up to three days before and three days after the SHEAR conference, based on availability. The hotel was recently renovated and amenities include MP3 and iPod compatible radios, 18-hour room service, rooftop atrium pool, sundeck, racquetball courts, and complimentary Doubletree Fitness by Precor® workout facility. All conference attendees are responsible for making their own room arrangements directly with the Doubletree Hotel; please call (215) 893-1600. Reservations must be made **by June 14, 2011** to ensure the conference rate. Please be sure to specify that you are attending SHEAR.

More information about the hotel and its amenities is available at:  
<http://www.doubletree.com>.

*Travel:*

**Planes:** Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) is the closest airport to the conference. Philadelphia is a US Airways and United Airlines hub, but both Southwest Airlines and Air Tran also provide inexpensive flights to the city.

To reach Center City Philadelphia, located 7 miles from the airport, you have three options:

Taxi cabs regularly run between the airport and downtown for a flat fee of \$28.50 (before tip) each way.

Lady Liberty Airport Shuttle runs approximately every 12 minutes to downtown and costs approximately \$10/each way. For more information call (215) 724-8888 or visit <http://www.ladylibertyshuttle.com>.

The local light rail train, the R1, travels every half hour between the airport and downtown. The closest station to conference accommodations is Suburban Station at 17th and JFK Blvd (5 blocks north and 2 blocks west of the hotel, an easy 10-minute walk). Tickets can be purchased on the train from the airport and cost \$6.00 each way. For more information about times and schedules visit <http://www.septa.org> or call (215) 580-7800.

**Trains:** Philadelphia's 30th Street train station can be reached by local, regional, and national rail services. The conference hotel is a short taxi ride from the train station, or about a 25-minute walk. The taxi rank is outside the station's east exit (facing downtown); if walking, take the east exit, turn right and go three blocks south to Walnut Street, then turn left and proceed east down Walnut. Cross Broad Street, a major thoroughfare, and then turn right one block south to Locust and Broad Streets; the hotel is located at this intersection. For information about schedules and pricing please contact:

Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation System (SEPTA) at (215) 580-7800 or <http://www.septa.org>.



New Jersey Regional Transit (NJ Transit) at (800) 722-2222 or <http://www.njtransit.com>.

AMTRAK at (800) 872-7245 or <http://www.amtrak.com>.

**Automobiles:** Philadelphia is located approximately two hours north of Washington, D.C. and two hours south of New York City. The following routes are intended as basic guidelines, but you are encouraged to use <http://maps.yahoo.com> or <http://www.mapquest.com> to confirm all driving directions.

From Philadelphia International Airport: Take I-95 North to Exit 17 (PA-611 North/ Broad Street Exit). Continue North on Broad Street for approximately 3 miles. The Doubletree Hotel is located on the right side, one block past Spruce Street at the corner of Broad and Locust Street.

From Baltimore, Washington and Points South: Take I-95 North past the Philadelphia International Airport following the signs to the Broad Street exit. Take Broad Street North and follow Broad Street for about 3 miles. The Doubletree Hotel is on the corner of Broad and Locust.

From New York, New Jersey and points NorthEast (via NJ Turnpike): Take the New Jersey Turnpike South to exit 4 (Philadelphia/Camden Exit). Take 73 North to 38 West. Follow signs to The Benjamin Franklin Bridge. Once over the bridge follow signs for 676 West. Take 676 West to the Broad Street/ Central Philadelphia Exit onto 15th Street heading South. Take 15th Street (approx 7 blocks) and make a left turn onto Locust Street. Take Locust one block to Broad Street, the Doubletree Hotel is located directly in front of you at the corner of Broad and Locust Streets.

Harrisburg, Hershey and points West: Take Pennsylvania Turnpike East to exit 24 (Valley Forge). Get onto 76 E following signs to Central Philadelphia. Take Vine St. (I-676) to Broad Street exit and make a right onto 15th St. Follow 15th Street to locust and make a left onto Locust. Go 1 block to Broad Street and the Doubletree Hotel is on the corner.

**Parking:** Self-parking in a covered lot, with in and out privileges, is available at the Doubletree Hotel for \$25.00 per day.

*Meals:*

With the exception of the Thursday and Friday night receptions—and, if preregistered and paid, the Friday Boydston Women’s Breakfast and Saturday Banquet—meals are the responsibility of conference attendees. Center City’s restaurant and shopping district boasts a range of eating options and prices. An annotated list of restaurants will be provided at registration.

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*Notes on Conference Venues*

**McNeil Center for Early American Studies**

3355 Woodland Walk, Philadelphia, PA 19104-4531, (215) 898-9251,  
<http://www.mceas.org>

The McNeil Center for Early American Studies facilitates scholarly inquiry into the histories and cultures of North America in the Atlantic world before 1850, with a particular but by no means exclusive emphasis on the mid-Atlantic region. The Center offers pre- and post-doctoral fellowships to encourage use of the Philadelphia area’s manuscript, rare book, and museum collections, conducts seminar and brown-bag series to promote intellectual community among local and visiting faculty and graduate students, and organizes national conferences to foster interdisciplinary research. To disseminate the best new scholarship in the field, it publishes *Early American Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, and sponsors the Early American Studies monograph series published by the University of Pennsylvania Press.

**The Library Company of Philadelphia**

1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107, (215) 546-3181,  
<http://www.librarycompany.org>

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday – Friday; open to the public free of charge

The Library Company of Philadelphia is an independent research library specializing in American history and culture from the colonial period through

the nineteenth century. Its holdings of printed, graphic and manuscript materials are especially rich for the study of the early republic. Collection strengths include books, pamphlets, and broadsides published in America before 1801 and works related to politics, women's history, African American life, business and economics, agriculture, technology, printing and publishing, religion, popular literature, and popular medicine. The Library Company offers short- and long-term research fellowships and is open to the public without charge.

**The Racquet Club of Philadelphia**

215 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 191012, (215) 735-1525,  
<http://www.rcop.com>

The Racquet Club has operated for more than 110 years as a private athletic and social club for the benefit of its members. It was incorporated in 1889 by 22 prominent Philadelphians, and was originally located at 923 Walnut Street. The current clubhouse opened in 1907 and in 1979 was listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. It also houses the St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia.

**St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia**

215 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, (215) 545-0646,  
<http://www.standrewsociety.org>

The original St. Andrew's Society was founded in 1747 as a relief organization for Scottish immigrants. The affiliated Foundation of the St. Andrew's Society was established in 1958 as a non-profit corporation to promote understanding between the United States and Scotland by awarding scholarships to attend institutions of higher learning in Scotland. Annually, eighteen colleges and universities within the Philadelphia region are invited to submit a candidate for study in their junior year at one of four universities. In addition, the Robert Lincoln McNeil Scholarship, established in 1969 by Henry S. McNeil and Robert Lincoln McNeil, Jr., in memory of their father, a life member of the St. Andrew's Society, enables a student at the University of St. Andrews to experience the academic, cultural and social life of the University of Pennsylvania.

## **Union League of Philadelphia**

140 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, (215) 563-6500,  
<http://www.unionleague.org>

The Union League of Philadelphia was founded in 1862 as a patriotic society to support the policies of President Abraham Lincoln. It served as a model for other Union Leagues across a nation torn by Civil War. Additions to the building in the Beaux Arts style, designed by Philadelphia architects Horace Trumbauer and Julian Abele and completed in 1910 and 1911, expanded the building to occupy an entire city block. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979. The League's civic participation and philanthropic outreach takes the form of three charitable foundations: The Youth Work Foundation, The Scholarship Foundation and The Abraham Lincoln Foundation, which educate the public about our nation's history, recognize student role models in our region's schools, and provide scholarships.

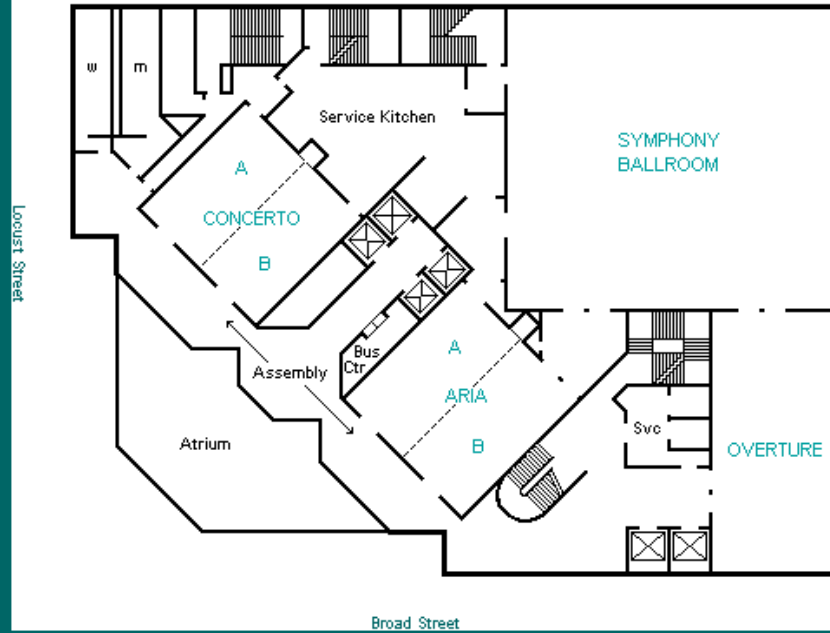
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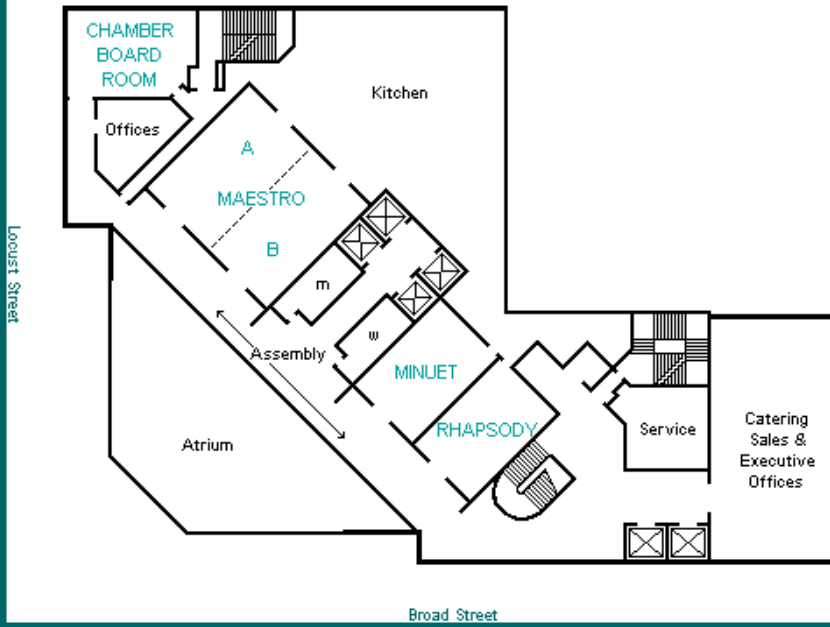


*Doubletree Hotel Conference Floor Maps:*

**DOUBLETREE HOTEL PHILADELPHIA - THIRD FLOOR**



**DOUBLETREE HOTEL PHILADELPHIA - FOURTH FLOOR**



## *Friends of SHEAR*

SHEAR gratefully acknowledges the generous support of its "Friends" in 2010-2011  
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# *Conference Program*

*Thursday, July 14*

**PRE-CONFERENCE TOUR 2:00-4:00 p.m.**  
(held at American Philosophical Society)

## **Walking the Constitutional City**

HOST: Billy G. Smith, Montana State University

**PRESIDENT'S PLENARY 5:15-7:15 p.m.**  
(held at University of Pennsylvania Law School)

### *The Populist Temper in Early America: Is It Real or Is It Memorex?*

PRESIDING: John Larson, Purdue University

PANELISTS: Benjamin Carp, Tufts University  
Ronald Formisano, University of Kentucky  
Susan Klepp, Temple University  
Rita Roberts, Scripps College  
Joshua Greenberg, Bridgewater State University

**PLENARY RECEPTION 7:30-9:00 p.m.**

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*Friday, July 15*

**SESSION ONE 8:30-10:15 a.m.**

## **1. Science, Gender, Nationalism**

PRESIDING: Paul Sivitz, Montana State University

*Flora and Femininity: Gendered Scientific Practice in the Early Republic*  
Susan Branson, Syracuse University

*The American "Hunter-Naturalist": A New Species of Scientist for the New Nation*  
Gregory Nobles, Georgia Institute of Technology

COMMENT: Robyn McMillin, University of Oklahoma  
Paul Sivitz

## **2. Along the Color Line: Negotiating Race in Antebellum America**

PRESIDING: Yonatan Eyal, University of Toronto

*White Workers, Black Neighborhoods: Reconsidering Race in Early America*  
Joanne Pope Melish, University of Kentucky

*"The Blacks have been taught an important lesson – their weakness":  
Insurrection, Conspiracy, and Reaction in the Lower Mississippi Valley,  
1795-1811*  
Patrick Luck, Johns Hopkins University

*In the Wake of Jim Crow: Maritime Minstrelsy and American Racial Nationalism Abroad*  
Brian Rouleau, Texas A & M University

COMMENTS: Yonatan Eyal

## **3. Good Christians Make Good Citizens: Fast Days and National Identity in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Steve Bullock, Worcester Polytechnic Institute



*“With United Hearts and Voices” : The Courtship of Providence and Patriotism in America’s Revolutionary Fast Days*  
Spencer McBride, Louisiana State University

*God Pleading with America: The Nexus of Providence, State, and Prayer in Antebellum Fast Days*  
Sara Georgini, Boston University

COMMENT: Steve Bullock

#### **4. A Tribute to the Life and Work of J.R. Pole—A Roundtable**

PRESIDING: Andrew Robertson, Lehman College and the Graduate Center, CUNY

PANELISTS: Ronald P. Formisano, University of Kentucky  
Donald Ratcliffe, University of Oxford  
Saul Cornell, Fordham University  
Holly Brewer, University of Maryland

#### **5. Many Trails of Tears: New Frameworks and Challenges in the History of Native American Removal in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: John P. Bowes, Eastern Kentucky University

*Hellish Innovations: Global Comparisons of Indigenous Removal Policies, 1790-1840*

Dawn G. Marsh, Purdue University

*Understanding the Importance of State versus Federal Authority in Southeastern Native Americans’ Submission to Removal*

Daniel Flaherty, Oklahoma University

*Wasted Lands and Virgin Forests: Early Kentucky Settlement and the Roots of Manifest Destiny*  
Joshua Jeffers, Purdue University

COMMENT: John P. Bowes

## **6. Laboring Others**

PRESIDING: Aaron Marrs, US State Department

*Irish Immigrant Secret Societies and Building of Indiana Canals*  
Jay M. Perry, Bowling Green State University

*Engineering Louisiana: Working Slaves on the Public Works*  
Darla Thompson, Cornell University

COMMENT: Aaron Marrs



## **SESSION TWO**

**10:30–11:45 a.m.**

## **7. Utopia's Rank and File: New Approaches to Communitarianism**

PRESIDING: Jamie L. Bronstein, New Mexico State University

*An Army of Pacifists: Work Culture at Adin Ballou's Hopedale*  
Gwynne Langley Rivers, University of Illinois, Chicago

*Practical Utopianism and the Everyday Search for a New Moral World, 1820-1850*  
Taylor Spence, Yale University

COMMENT: Carl J. Guarneri, Saint Mary's College of California

**8. A Coterie of Womanly Genius: Making and Marketing Female Performance in the Mid-Nineteenth Century**

PRESIDING: Lucia McMahon, William Patterson University

*E Pluribus Jenny Lind: European Women Writers and the Making of an American Popular Culture*

Sara Babcox First, University of Mississippi

*The Lady and the Rostrum: Women Elocutionists in the Mid-Nineteenth-Century Cultural Marketplace*

Sara Lampert, University of Michigan

COMMENT: Elizabeth Reitz Mullenix, Miami University of Ohio

**9. Materialism and Anti-Materialism in the Economic Development of New York City**

PRESIDING: Rohit Thomas Aggarwala, Columbia University

*Incorporation: Banking on the Future by Banking in the City, 1784–1792*

Brian Phillips Murphy, Baruch College/CUNY

*Culture and Enterprise: The Roots of New York City's Rise to Dominance*

Clifton Hood, Hobart and William Smith Colleges

*“Where Labor is Loathed and Luxury Coveted”: Greeley in the Great Emporium, 1831–1860*

James M. Lundberg, Sacred Heart University

COMMENT: Rohit Thomas Aggarwala

## **10. Fugitive Slaves and the Coming of the American Civil War**

PRESIDING: Michael A. Morrison, Purdue University

*“Our Dearest Rights and Liberties”*: *The Fugitive Slave Law of 1850 and the Origins of the Civil War*  
Jonathan Daniel Wells, Temple University

*“Shall the whole power of these United States go into the hands of slavery?” Political Crisis, Fugitive Slaves, and Liminal Rupture in the Forging of the Civil War North, 1850-1854*  
John L. Brooke, Ohio State University

COMMENT: Elizabeth R. Varon, University of Virginia

## **11. Economic Change and the War of 1812**

PRESIDING: Cathy Matson, University of Delaware

*“To establish an intercourse between our respective houses”*:  
*Continuity and Change in Mid-Atlantic Networks, 1800–1815*  
Colleen F. Rafferty, University of Delaware

*The Restrictive System and the War of 1812 in the Mid-Atlantic Region*  
Martin Öhman, University of Virginia

*The Diplomacy of State Building: The War of 1812 and the Formation of an American Commercial State in the West, 1803–1817*  
Lawrence B. A. Hatter, University of Virginia

COMMENT: Cathy Matson

**12. New Perspectives on Social Welfare, Almshouses, and Overseers of the Poor**

PRESIDING: Elna C. Green, San Jose State University

*Asylums Rediscovered: Immigration Control at Almshouses in Antebellum Massachusetts*

Hidetaka Hirota, Boston College

*William Larned: Importer of Fine Fabrics, Loving Father, and Overseer of the Poor*

Gabriel Loiacano, Wisconsin Oshkosh

COMMENT: David Wagner, University of Southern Maine

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**GRADUATE STUDENT LUNCH SESSION 12:00–1:30 p.m.**  
(held at the Cassatt House)

*Why Journal Articles Matter*

HOSTS: Susan Klepp, *Journal of the Early Republic*

Elaine Forman Crane, *Early American Studies*

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**SESSION THREE 2:00–3:45 p.m.**

**13. Manhood in the Early Republic: The Cases of George Washington, the Choctaw Academy, and Ned Buntline**

PRESIDING: Craig Thompson Friend, North Carolina State University

*Mastering Manhood: George Washington and Masculinity in the Early Republic*

Karen Robbins, St. Bonaventure University

*Richard Mentor Johnson's Choctaw Sons*

Nicholas P. Cox, University of Houston

*Ned Buntline and the Fate of Republican Self-Mastery*

Katherine Chavigny, Sweet Briar College

COMMENT: Timothy J. Williams, University of Northern Iowa

**14. The United States in America: Recasting Early U.S. History through a Spanish American Lens**

PRESIDING: Ed Rugemer, Yale University

*An American Revolution: Southern Views of Mexican Independence*

Sarah Cornell, University of New Mexico

*A White Republic in a Hemisphere of Color: The Inter-American Origins of the Democratic Part*

Caitlin Fitz, McNeil Center and Northwestern University

COMMENT: Kathleen DuVal, University of North Carolina

Ed Rugemer

**15. The People and the Constitution: The State of the Field—A Roundtable**

PRESIDING: Rosemarie Zagari, George Mason University

PANELISTS: Richard Beeman, University of Pennsylvania  
Pauline Maier, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
John Kaminski, University of Wisconsin  
Trish Loughran, University of Illinois  
Stephanie R. Hurter, U.S. Department of State

**16. Revolutionizing Religion: Politics and Faith in Early America**

PRESIDING: Kate Carte-Engle, Texas A&M University

*Constitutionalizing God: Religious Politics in Early Nation  
Charleston and New York*

Susanna Linsley, University of Michigan

*“Great Men Are Not Always Wise Neither Do the Aged Understand  
Judgment”: Methodism and Intergenerational Conflict in Post-  
Revolutionary America*

John Ellis, Purdue University

*Christianity and the Counterrevolutionary Impulse in British North  
America*

Denis McKim, University of Toronto

COMMENT: Kate Carte-Engle

**17. Of Witches and Rebels: Evaluating Crisis, Disintegration, and  
Revitalization in Native and African American Communities**

PRESIDING: Adam Jortner, Auburn University

*A War of the Spirit: Witch-Hunting and Revitalization on the  
Indiana Frontier*

Lori Daggar, University of Pennsylvania

*“They call us all white man”*: *Disintegration and Revitalization in Virginia and Liberia*

Matthew J. Hetrick, University of Delaware

COMMENT: Douglas Egerton, LeMoyne College  
Adam Jortner

## **18. Scandal and Schism in Antebellum Reform**

PRESIDING: April Haynes, Case Western Reserve University

*Free Love in the Phalanstery: The Free Love Controversy and Transnational Communitarian Socialism*

Megan Perle Bowman, University of California Santa Barbara

*The Apostasy of the Apostle: The Cultural Politics of Temperance in John B. Gough’s New York Scandal*

Xi Chen, American Antiquarian Society

COMMENT: Stacey Robertson, Bradley University

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## **SESSION FOUR**

**4:00–5.45 p.m.**

### **19. “A Natural Right to Liberty”: New Findings in Manumission Judgments and Writs of Habeas Corpus Cases from 1786–1830**

PRESIDING: Christopher Densmore, Friends Historical Library

*“Taking Up” Slaves and Free Negroes—Annulling Quaker Manumissions in North Carolina after the American Revolution*

Larry E. Tise, East Carolina University



*Digging on behalf of the “Natural Right to Liberty”: One Quaker’s Persistent Actions to Support Manumissions in New Jersey, 1790–1799*

Susan Kozel, Kean University

COMMENT: Jessica Millward, University of California, Irvine  
James J. Gigantino, University of Arkansas

## **20. Elites and Popular (or Subaltern) Democracy**

PRESIDING: Daniel Mandell, Truman State University

*Democracy and its Facsimiles in the United States, 1815–1826*  
Reeve Huston, Duke University

*Ugly Democracy: Framing Frontier Equalitarianism in 1838*  
Dana D. Nelson, Vanderbilt University

*Constructing a Cherokee Public: Elias Boudinot and the Performance of Nationality*  
Mark Rifkin, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

COMMENT: Daniel Mandell

## **21. Caught in the Middle: Four Moderates View the Impending Crisis**

PRESIDING: Frank Towers, University of Calgary

*Thomas Corwin and the North-South Sectional Crisis*  
Dan Crofts, College of New Jersey

*“The Sacred Ashes of the First of Men”*: Edward Everett, the Mount Vernon Fund, and Late Antebellum Unionism  
Matthew Mason, Brigham Young University

*“The One Common Object of Liberty”*: Douglas, Democracy, and the Union, 1850–1861  
Russell McClintock, St John’s High School, Shrewsbury

*Washington Insider: John J. Crittenden and the Politics of Compromise*  
Rachel Sheldon, University of Virginia

COMMENT: Frank Towers

**22. Before the Know-Nothings: Anti-Catholicism in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Christine Heyrman, University of Delaware

*“Roman is a LIE!”*: Children, Innocence, and Literary Anti-Catholicism the Early Republic  
Allison O’Mahen Malcom, University of Illinois, Chicago

*Gender, Sex, and the Catholic Menace in Anglophone Print Culture*  
Monica Najar, Lehigh University

*The Dilemma of Anti-Catholicism in American Travel Writing, circa 1790–1830*  
Daniel Kilbride, John Carroll University

COMMENT: Christopher Beneke, Bentley University

**23. Not Only Prints: Early Republic Visual Culture Research at the Library Company of Philadelphia**

PRESIDING: Rachel D'Agostino and Erica Piola, Library Company of Philadelphia

*Revising a Project: Visuals from the Library Company*  
Anne Verplank, Penn State University

*Tales from the Crypt: Cemetery-Inspired Thoughts on Library Company Research*  
Aaron Wunsch, University of Pennsylvania

*Flower Gathering: Visualizing Antebellum Botanical and Floral Education through the Library Company's Archives*  
Alison Klaum, University of Delaware

COMMENT: Audience

**24. The Biology of Social Behavior**

PRESIDING: Mary Kupiak Cayton, Miami University

*The Biology of Social Behavior*  
Randy Roth, Ohio State University

COMMENT: Mary Kupiak Cayton  
Francois Furstenberg, University of Montreal

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**RECEPTION**                      **6:00-7:30 p.m.**  
(held at the Union League of Philadelphia)

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*Saturday, July 24*

**SESSION FIVE**

**9:00–10:45 a.m.**

**25. Reflections on *Revolution to Republic: Philadelphia's Place in Early America*, SHEAR/NEH Landmarks of American History and Culture Workshops for Community College Faculty**

Roderick McDonald, Rider University  
Michelle McDonald, Richard Stockton College  
Cassandra Rincones, South Texas College  
Malvina Jones, Consumnes River College  
Mary Schander, Pasadena City College  
Scott McMillan, Volunteer State Community College  
Jan Price Greenough, Columbia State Community College  
James McIntyre, Moraine Valley Community College  
Doug Arnold, National Endowment for the Humanities

**26. Early Republic in the World: Americans Abroad, Europe, and the Orient**

PRESIDING: Thomas Bender, New York University

*Anglo-American Citizen of the World: The Strange Career of Elihu Burritt, Peace Reformer*  
Margo Minardi, Reed College

*Identity Formation among "Americans" in the Eastern Mediterranean, 1800-1850*  
Tim Roberts, Western Illinois University

*Taipei, Foreign Polemics and American Nationalism: The Cultural Diplomacy of David Bailie Warden and Robert Walsh, Jr.*  
Joe Eaton, National Chengchi University

COMMENT: Thomas Bender

## **27. Conflicting Perspectives on Civil Society, 1820-1850**

PRESIDING: Anne Boylan, University of Delaware

*Secrecy and Civil Society in George Lippard's Brotherhood of the Union*  
Albrecht Koschnik, Independent Scholar

*Abolitionists v. the Corporations: Racial Equality & the Democratic Public in Antebellum Massachusetts*  
Kyle Volk, University of Montana

*"Anti means fight": The use and criticism of the word "anti" in American reform culture, 1820-1840*  
Maartje Janse, Leiden University

COMMENT: Johann Neem, Western Washington University

## **28. Edible Diplomacy**

PRESIDING: Andrew Isenberg, Temple University

*"A denial of bread to many hungry families": Food Diplomacy and Indian Relations in the South*  
Rachel Hermann, University of Texas

*Food Frontiers: How Native Consumers, Producers, and Pathways Forged the Early American Republic Food Frontiers*  
Natalie Zappia, Whittier College

COMMENT: Andrew Isenberg

**29. Political Parties and Popular Participation in the Early Republic: New Directions in Political History**

PRESIDING: Jeffrey Pasley, University of Missouri

*Critical Masses: Celebratory Politics and Political Mobilization in the Congressional Election of 1794*  
David Houpt, the Graduate Center, CUNY

*An “Era of No Feelings”? Rethinking the Periodization of Early U.S. Politics*  
Daniel Peart, University College London

COMMENT: Andrew Shankman, Rutgers University

**30. Black People Belonging**

PRESIDING: Michelle Gillespie, Wake Forest University

*Pews and People of Color: An Examination of Social Order and Struggle in Charleston, South Carolina, during the Early Republic*  
Margaret Gillikin, University of South Carolina

*“Under the Banner of Freedom”: Defining Citizenship at the 1843 National Black Convention*  
Christopher Bonner, Yale University

*Ben Franklin, Black Loyalist*  
Shirley Green, Bowling Green State University

COMMENT: Michelle Gillespie

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**SESSION SIX**                      **11:00 a.m.–12:45 p.m.**

**31. Crafting Gender Identity**

PRESIDING: Catherine Kelly, University of Oklahoma

*Heroic or “Childish and Feeble”? The Dichotomy of Revolutionary War Veterans’ Masculinity*

Birte Pflieger, California State University, Los Angeles

*“Adapted to this Country, and all grades of Life”: The Evolution of American Household Advice and the Creation of Civic Domesticity*  
Susan Stanfield, University of Iowa

*Masculinity and Familial Relations in the Early Republic South: A Study of Andrew Jackson’s Advice to His Male Wards*

Mark Cheatham, Cumberland University

COMMENT: Catherine Kelly

**32. Slavery, Security and the State: Southerners For and Against Federal Power**

PRESIDING: Jessica Lepler, University of New Hampshire

*Slavery and Salus Populi: Central Governments and Sovereign Masters in Early American Political Theory, 1780s–1820*

Jason Opal, McGill University

*Federal Power at Home and Abroad: Agricultural Reform and Slavery in the Antebellum Era*

Ariel Ron, University of California, Berkeley

*Sectional Rights, National Power: Jefferson Davis and the U.S. Army, 1849–1860*

Matthew Karp, University of Pennsylvania

COMMENT: Brian Schoen, Ohio University

**33. Blurring the Public-Private Divide: Federal Patronage in the Antebellum Era**

PRESIDING: Daniel Feller, University of Tennessee

*Hard Times: Federal Patronage, Bank Loans, and Public Opinion in the Bank War*

Stephen Campbell, University of California, Santa Barbara

*Making Markets Out of Shot and Shell: Catharine Furnace, Contract Capitalism, and the Problem of Virginia Industrialization*

Sean Patrick Adams, University of Florida

COMMENT: Richard R. John, Columbia University

**34. Markets Fair and Foul**

PRESIDING: Andrew R. L. Cayton, Miami University

*“Sinister Conduct”: Staples-Smuggling along the Detroit River, 1796-1840*

Catherine Cangany, University of Notre Dame



*The Fabric of a Commercial Empire: Citizenship, Credit, and the Competition for the Great Lakes*

Daniel P. Glenn, Delta State University

*Panic of the Frontier: Paper Money, Female Luxury, and Indiana Manhood, 1818-1824*

Jeffrey Perry, Purdue University

COMMENT: Andrew R. L. Cayton

**35. Through Diaspora to Nationhood: The Shawnees in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Christina Snyder, Indiana University

*The Greatest Travelers in America: The Shawnee Diaspora*

Laura Keenan Spero, McNeil Center

*Chiefs and Vagabonds: Debating Shawnee Nationhood in the Early Republic*

Sami Lakomäki, Southern Methodist University

COMMENT: Stephen Warren, Augustana College

**36. States of Disability: Invalid Pensioners, Citizenship, and Public Policy Formation Before and After Independence**

PRESIDING: John Resch, University of New Hampshire, Manchester

*“The man can do nothing, I conceive, to obtain a support”:  
Disability, Masculinity, and Citizenship among Virginia’s  
Revolutionary War Pensioners*  
Benjamin H. Irvin, University of Arizona

*The Invalid State: Soldiers, Pensions, and “Decisive Disability” in  
Colonial and Revolutionary America*  
Ben Mutschler, Oregon State University

COMMENT: Caroline Cox, University of the Pacific

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**SESSION SEVEN**

**2:00 – 3.45 p.m.**

**37. Women in Three Lights**

PRESIDING: Jan Lewis, Rutgers University

*New England Women and World Politics, 1830-1861*  
Ronald Zboray and Mary Zboray, University of Pittsburgh

*Tyrannical Womb and Disappearing Mother: Medical Constructions  
of the Maternal Body*  
Nora Doyle, University of North Carolina

*Blessed are the Cheesemakers*  
Julie Winch, University of Massachusetts Boston

COMMENT: Jan Lewis

**38. Race, Class, and Identity in the Early Republic City**

PRESIDING: Brian P. Luskey, West Virginia University

*Worth a Thousand Words: Discovering Peter Williams in Early Republic New York*

Kyle T. Bulthuis, Utah State University

*The Early Republic's Batman: Unmasking the Nighthawk in Antebellum Philadelphia*

Matthew Osborn, Occidental College

COMMENT: Vikki J. Vickers, Weber State University

Brian P. Luskey

**39. Repercussions of the War of 1812: Memory and Identity in the Early Republic and Beyond**

PRESIDING: Gretchen Adams, Texas Tech University

*The "Blood Thirty Shortland" and the "Illustrious Decatur": American Doubt and Self-Confidence in the Wake of the War of 1812*

David Dzurec, University of Scranton

*"Astonishing to behold": Valor, Duty, and Loss in Post-War of 1812 Petitions in New York and Upper Canada, 1815–1825*

Maria Moncur, Queen's University

COMMENT: Alan Taylor, University of California, Davis

Gretchen Adams

**40. Revival, Rhetoric, and Public Order in Antebellum America**

PRESIDING: Mark Hanley, Truman State University

*“Glory in the Fight”: Frederick Douglass and the Revival of American Integrity*

Sarah A. Morgan Smith, Rutgers University

*“A Religion Run into Madness by Zealots and Hypocrites”: Anti-Mormonism and the Construction of Antebellum Evangelicalism*

Nathaniel Wiewora, University of Delaware

*Religion and the Limits of Anti-Slavery in Piedmont North Carolina*

Christopher A. Graham, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

COMMENT: Jonathan den Hartog, Northwestern College

**41. In the Shadows: Bodies in Dissent and the Problems of Managing the Gendered Body**

PRESIDING: Cynthia A. Kierner, George Mason University

*The “in Connected state” of Deborah Franklin: Self Fashioning, Gender and Illness in Eighteenth-Century Philadelphia*

Vivian Bruce Conger, Ithaca College

*“had not one weeks perfect Health:” Self-Fashioning, Masculinity, and the Indignities of Aging in the Revolution*

Rebecca Brannon, University of South Carolina, Aiken

*The Body Proper and the Body Politic: The Giddings-Sutliff Relationship as a Case Study*

Cathy Rodabaugh, West Virginia University

COMMENT: Cynthia A. Kierner

## **42. Race and the Progress of Dispossession**

PRESIDING: James J. Buss, Oklahoma City University

*“A few cartridges spent upon them” : The Dilemmas of Federal Squatter Removal and Civil-Military Relations in the Georgia Goldfields, 1830-1832*

Sam Watson, US Military Academy

*Proceduralism and Cherokee Removal*

Christopher Bilodeau, Dickinson College

*U.S. Occupation and the Creation of Whiteness in 1820s Prairie du Chien*

Elsbeth Martini, University of Michigan,

COMMENT: James Buss

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**SHEAR BUSINESS MEETING      4:00-5:00 p.m.**

**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS      6:00–7:00 p.m.**  
(held at the Racquet Club of Philadelphia)

HOST: Andrew R.L. Cayton, Miami University

*Andrew Jackson’s Complex Legacy*

PRESIDENT: Harry L. Watson, University of North Carolina

**PRESIDENTIAL BANQUET      7:00–9:00 p.m.**

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*Sunday, July 25*

**SESSION EIGHT**            **9:00 – 10.45 a.m.**

**43. Everywhere yet Nowhere: Women and the Gendered Violence of Slavery and Resistance in the Post-Revolutionary South**

PRESIDING: Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard University

*“Missus done her own bossing”*: *White Slaveowning Women and the Re-Gendering of Mastery, Violence and Power in the Post-Revolutionary South*

Stephanie Jones-Rogers, Rutgers University

*“. . . not sharp enough to git by ole Nat”*: *African American Women, Violence, and Turner’s Rebellion*

Vanessa Holden, Rutgers University

COMMENT: Diane Miller Sommerville, Binghamton University  
Annette Gordon-Reed

**44. The Growing Empire of Liberty and Slavery: Three Crises in Slavery’s Westward Expansion**

PRESIDING: Eva Sheppard Wolf, San Francisco State University

*The Crisis of 1804, or, How and Why Slavery Expanded in the Orleans Territory*

Lo Faber, Princeton University

*The Domestic Slave Trade, African Colonization, and the Missouri Crisis*

Nicholas Wood, University of Virginia

*Revisiting Anti-Slave Power Politics in the Wilmot Proviso Debates*  
Corey Brooks, York College of Pennsylvania

COMMENT: John Craig Hammond, Penn State University, New  
Kensington  
Eva Sheppard Wolf

**45. Treasonous Stirrings and the Legacy of Guy Fawkes**

PRESIDING: Katherine Pierce, San Houston State University

*Paranoia, Party Politics, and Plotting: The Vitality of the Fifth of  
November in the Early Republic*  
Kevin Doyle, Brandeis University

*The “Rogues March”: Treason, Unity, and the Making of an American  
Guy Fawkes*  
Nichole George Burrows, University of Notre Dame

COMMENT: Katherine Pierce

**46. Evangelical Identity and Anglo-American Connections in  
Foreign Missions**

PRESIDING: Barbara Reeves-Ellington, Siena College

*Anglo-American Connections in the American Missionary Entrance  
to India, 1790–1815*  
Emily Conroy-Krutz, Harvard University

*Evangelical Identity and the Anglo-American Partnership in  
Missionary Literature*

Ashley E. Moreshead, University of Delaware

COMMENT: Mary Kelley, University of Michigan

#### **47. Political Senses in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Herb Sloan, Barnard College

*Waxing Republican: The Art and Artifice of Revolutionary Figures*

Ashli White, University of Miami

*The Sounds of Partisanship: Political Music in the Early Republic*

Kirsten E. Wood, Florida International University

COMMENT: Herb Sloan

#### **48. Roundtable: Squatters, Surveyors & States in the Old Northwest**

PRESIDING: David L. Preston, The Citadel

*From Migration to Market: Redefining Squatter Movement and  
Motivation After the Revolution*

Malissah Pawlikowski, Ohio State University

*How Not to Be a Land Speculator: Or, Don't Listen to Your  
Brother-in-Law (Robert Morris): Bishop William White and His  
Squatters*

William Pencak, Penn State University



*The Impact of Surveyors on Post-Revolutionary Land Speculation*  
Marcus Gallo, University of California, Davis

*Competition, "Party Animosity," and the Origins of the First Party System in the American West*  
Patrick Spero, American Philosophical Society

*Settlers, States, and Violence in the Revolutionary Ohio Valley*  
Rob Harper, University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point

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## **SESSION NINE**

**11:00 a.m. – 12.45 p.m**

### **49. The Color of Allegiance: Intersections of Ethnicity, Race, and Politics in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: William P. Tatum III, David Library of the American Revolution

*"Scotch-Irish or Merely Irish": Brackenridge, Findley, and Contestation of Ethnic Identity in the Early Republic*  
Peter Gilmore, Carlow University

*Place of Black Loyalists during the American Revolution*  
Ruma Chopra, San Jose State University

*The Antislavery Challenge in Revolutionary New Jersey*  
Jonathan D. Sassi, College of Staten Island & the Graduate Center, CUNY

COMMENT: Richard A. Ryerson, David Library (retired)

**50. Slavery and the Transformation of Florida in the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Andy Doolen, University of Kentucky

*"A Reckless Waste of Blood and Treasure": Thomas Jesup, Antebellum Florida, and the Politics of Imperialism*  
Daniel Scallet, Washington University, St. Louis

*"To cut the root of an evil so directly opposite to the common good": Runaway Slaves and the Struggle for Control on the Georgia-Florida Border*  
Kevin Kokomoor, Florida State University

COMMENT: John Campbell, Winona State University

**51. Race, Reform, and Politics in the Early National North**

PRESIDING: David Waldstreicher, Temple University

*"Becoming Honourable Citizens": Republicans of Color and the Biracial Origins of American Abolitionism*  
Paul J. Polgar, the Graduate Center, CUNY

*Race and Democracy in Jeffersonian Philadelphia*  
Padraig Riley, Dalhousie University

COMMENT: Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, University of Michigan  
David Waldstreicher

**52. Home Missions, Antimissions, and the Political Culture of the Early Republic**

PRESIDING: John Fea, Messiah College

*Elders, Missionaries, and the Battle for Religious Autonomy along the Central Mississippi Valley, 1796-1840*

John Ayabe, Simpson University

*Home Missions and the Separation of Church and State in the Early Republic*

Brian Franklin, Texas A&M University

*American Home Missions and the Federalization of American Evangelicalism, 1798-1850*

Barton Price, Florida State University

COMMENT: John Fea

**53. Transforming Visions: Literature and Architecture in the Age of Commercial Capitalism**

PRESIDING: Joan Shelley Rubin, University of Rochester

*The Buildings of Empire: Architecture and the Public Buildings of Jacksonian Washington, D.C.*

Adam Costanzo, University of California, Davis,

*James Fenimore Cooper's Leatherstocking Tales and the Rise of Commercial Capitalism*

Marc Egnal, York University

*Reconstructing Hawthorne's Literary Children: Writing Puritan  
Childhood in Nineteenth-Century America*  
Denise Hubert, York University

COMMENT: Tamara Thornton, University at Buffalo

**54. (Con)tested Loyalties: The Family and Religion at Odds in the  
Early Republic**

PRESIDING: Janet Moore Lindman, Rowan University

*Covenant Friends: The Spiritual Relationship of Jeremiah Minter  
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Kara French, University of Michigan

*"Wrested from the arms of an affectionate and weeping mother":  
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Rodney Hessinger, Hiram College

*Households of Faith: Family and Antislavery Religion in the  
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