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Saturday, 8:00 am - 11:00 am

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**Thursday, July 20, 2000 - 8:00-10:00 p.m.**

PLENARY SESSION: THE QUESTION OF CULTURE

MODERATOR: John M. Murrin (Princeton University)

Ann Fabian (Graduate Center, City University of New York)

David Shields (the Citadel)

Edward Countryman (Southern Methodist University)

**Friday, July 21, 2000 - 8:30-10:30 a.m.**

1. NEW PERSPECTIVES ON JACKSONIAN POLITICS:  
A BIOGRAPHICAL APPROACH

CHAIR: David E. Woodard (University of Minnesota)

Mark Cheatham (Mississippi State University): "The  
Constitution and the Union: Andrew Jackson Donelson  
and the Politics of Compromise"

Donald B. Cole (Phillips Exeter Academy): "Amos Kendall:  
The 'Moving Spring' of Andrew Jackson's First  
Term in Office"

Robert Tinkler (University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill):  
"The Politics of Debt: The Post-Nullification Career of  
James Hamilton, Jr."

COMMENT: Daniel Feller (University of New Mexico)

2. GENDER, ANTISLAVERY, AND THIRD-PARTY  
POLITICS

CHAIR: Carol Lasser (Oberlin College)

Michael Pierson (University of Massachusetts-Lowell): "Uncle  
Tom's Cabin and Antislavery Politics"

Stacey Robertson (Bradley University): "Ladies, Will You Meet  
with Us?: Women Abolitionists in the Old Northwest,  
Gender, and Third-Party Politics"

COMMENT: Norma Basch (Rutgers University), Carol Lasser

3. RELIGIOUS TENSIONS IN ANTEBELLUM  
CULTURE

CHAIR: Ruth Alden Doan (Hollins University)

Nicholas Guyatt (Princeton University): "Providentialism,  
History and the American Revolution"

David Holland (Stanford University): "Special Providences:  
Cosmology and Identity in the Early Republic"

Stephen Andrews (Stanford University): "Radicals in Council":  
American Spiritualism, the Reform Community and the  
Rutland Free Convention"

COMMENT: Ruth Alden Doan

4. THE DISCURSIVE FORMATION OF CLASSES IN  
THE ANTEBELLUM PERIOD

CHAIR: Martin J. Burke (Lehman College-City University of  
New York)

Stephen P. Rice (Ramapo College): "Hands and Heads: Making  
Class at the Manual Labor School, 1825-1845"

Gregory L. Kaster (Gustavus Adolphus College): "Workers and  
Men: Labor Discourse and the Gendered Construction of  
Class, 1827-1860"

Nicholas Marshall (University of California-Davis): "A Rural  
Middle Class?: Some Evidence for Integrating  
Country and City in Antebellum America"

COMMENT: Martin J. Burke

**Friday, July 21, 2000 - 10:45-12:45 a.m.**

5. CULTIVATING ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE MID-  
ATLANTIC STATES, 1780-1830

CHAIR: Cathy Matson (University of Delaware)

Brooke Hunter (University of Delaware): "Grist for the Mill:  
The Refinement of an American Industry"

Lawrence A. Peskin (Morgan State University): "Cultivating  
a National Market: Agricultural Societies and Economic  
Development in the Early Republic"

Andrew M. Schocket (College of William and Mary): "Sowing or Reaping?: Government and Big Business in Early Republican Pennsylvania"

COMMENT: Jonathan Prude (Emory University)

6. AFRICAN AMERICAN PROTEST IN BLACK AND WHITE: PRINT, LEADERSHIP, AND ACTIVISM IN THE NORTH

CHAIR: Wilson Moses (Pennsylvania State University)

Richard Newman (Rochester Institute of Technology):  
"In the Beginning was the Word: Richard Allen's  
Leadership in Print"

Patrick Rael (Bowdoin College): "To Cultivate the Mind and Elevate the Morals: Print and the Debate over Strategies of Moral Reform after 1830"

COMMENT: Mitch Kachun (Grand Valley State University),  
Wilson Moses

7. GENDER AND TRAVEL IN THE EARLY AMERICAN REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Dallett Hemphill (Ursinus College)

Kirsten E. Wood (Florida International University): "For Business and Pleasure: Traveling Widows in the Slaveholding South, 1790- 1860"

Holly Heinzer (Yale University): "Arise in the Morning with the Sun & Set off on our Journey': Gender and Travel Among Four Elite Connecticut Women, 1785-1801"

Daniel Kilbride (John Carroll University): "Avoiding a 'little, mean, [and] despicable' Republic: Privileged Women and the Cultural Work of the Grand Tour in the Post-Revolutionary Era"

COMMENT: Patricia Cline Cohen (University of California-Santa Barbara), Dallett Hemphill

8. CLAY, CALHOUN, WEBSTER AND THE AMERICAN REALIST TRADITION

CHAIR: Mary A. Giunta (National Archives)

Norman Grabner (University of Virginia): "Clay, Calhoun, Webster and the American Realist Tradition"

COMMENT: Carol K. Bleser (Clemson University),  
John Belohiavek (University of South Florida)

9. DISCIPLINE AND SACRIFICE

Chair: Andrew Burststein (University of Tulsa)

Matthew L. Harris (Syracuse University): "Promoting Virtue and Suppressing Vice': America's Experiment with Sumptuary Laws, 1770-1800"

Jonathan D. Hills (Sunderland University): "Volunteers for the Republic: An Analysis of Peter B. Porter's Efforts to Secure Volunteers in the War of 1812"

Anthony M. Joseph (Documentary History of the Supreme Court): "The Cheerful Taxpayer: An Early Modern Political Idiom in the Early American Republic"

COMMENT: Peter Onuf (University of Virginia)

**Friday, July 21, 2000 - 2:30-4:30 p.m.**

10. AGRICULTURE AND REFORM IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: John W. Quist (Shippensburg University)

Daniel Joseph Nadenicek (Pennsylvania State University): "The Influence of Scientific Farming in Design and Planning"

William Kerrigan (Muskingum College): "By occupation a gatherer and planter of apple seeds': John Chapman as Horticulturist and reformer"

Steven Stoll (Yale University): "Dunhill Doctrines, or the Great Conversion"

COMMENT: Alan I. Marcus (Iowa State University)



## 11. THE WAR OF 1812 AND ITS AFTERMATH

CHAIR: James C. Bradford (Texas A & M)

David Curtis Skaggs (Bowling Green State University): A Hero's Reward: Thomas McDonough's Relief from Command, 1819"

Donald R. Hickey (Wayne State University): "The War of 1812: Still a Forgotten Conflict?"

C. Edward Skeen (Memphis State University): "Peter B. Porter and the War on the Niagara Frontier"

COMMENT: J. C. A. Stagg (University of Virginia)

## 12. PROSLAVERY AND ANTISLAVERY, PROGRESS AND CONSPIRACY

CHAIR: James B. Stewart (Macalester College)

Jay Carlander (University of California-Santa Barbara): "Antebellum Southern Political Economists and the Problem of Slavery"

Jonathan A. Glickstein (University of California-Santa Barbara): "What They Would Do If They Could": Abolitionist Attacks on the Capitalist 'Aristocracy' of the North"

COMMENT: Douglas R. Egerton (Le Moyne College), Joanne Pope Melish (University of Kentucky)

## 13. POPULAR MEDICINE IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: R. William Weisberger (Butler County Community College)

Joanna B. Spanos (Pennsylvania State University): "Neighborhoods and Disease: Sociability Related to Health in Elizabeth Sandwich Drinker's Diary"

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Karol Weaver (Bloomsburg University): "Slave Herbalists and the 18th-Century Ethnopharmacologists"

COMMENT: Susan E. Klepp (Temple University)

## 14. CITIZENSHIP: BATTLES FOR AND AGAINST

Chair: Nancy Isenberg (University of Tulsa)

Marion Rust (University of Virginia): "Women Were Born for Universal Sway": Susanna Rowson, Algerian Captivity, and the Making of the Anglo-American Female Citizen"

Brian F. Carso, Jr. (Boston University): "As Well Their Government as Their Citizens: The Burr Trial and the Antinomies of Treason in the Early Republic"

Colin McCoy (University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign): "The Military Origins of Jacksonian Democracy"

Comment: Nancy Isenberg

**Saturday, July 22, 2000 - 8:30-10:30 a.m.**

## 15. BODIES OF KNOWLEDGE: SCIENCE, BOUNDARIES, AND EXCLUSION

CHAIR: Jorge Cañizares Esguerra (State University of New York-Buffalo)

Seymour S. Cohen (independent), "Thomas Cooper, Geologist"

Robert S. Cox (American Philosophical Society): "Sleepwalking in the Early Republic: Sympathy and Unconsciousness"

Kariann Yokota (University of California-Los Angeles): "Cultivating Knowledge of Natives and Enslaved Africans; Science in the Creation of the Body Politic"

COMMENT: Laura Rigal (University of Iowa)

## 16. CULTIVATING RELIGIOUS PLURALISM IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Leo Hirrel (United States Army Center of Military History)

Matthew Backes (Columbia University): "Lyman Beecher, Cultural Pluralism, and the Search for an Evangelical Center, 1815-1837"

Ted Kilsdonk (University of Virginia): "Religious Groups, Benevolent Organizations, and American Pluralism"

Chris Beneke (Northwestern University): "From Many, One: The Religious Origins of American Identity"

COMMENT: Daniel Walker Howe (Oxford University)

## 17. INTELLECTUALS AND DEMOCRATIC REFORM

CHAIR: Harlow Walker Sheidley (University of Colorado-Colorado Springs)

Peter S. Field (Tennessee Technological University):  
"Tocqueville, Emerson, and the Problem of Democracy"

Jennifer A. Lawrence (Temple University): "Tocqueville and the Penitentiary Tour of 1831"

COMMENT: Jaimie Bronstein (New Mexico State University),  
Harlow Walker Sheidley

## 18. THE CULTURAL HISTORY OF THE MARKET REVOLUTION

CHAIR: Scott C. Martin (Bowling Green State University)

Thomas A. Chambers (Siena College): "Class and Cultural Formation at American Mineral Springs"

Graham Warder (University of Massachusetts-Amherst): "A Waif on Life's Wave": The Market and John B. Gough, Drunkard and Temperance Lecturer"

COMMENT: Charlene Boyer Lewis (Widener University),  
Scott C. Martin

## 19. WOMEN AND POWER IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Jan Lewis (Rutgers University)

Debra M. O'Neal (Wingate University): "Maids are become Mistresses": Gender, Class, and Identity in Post-Revolutionary Philadelphia"

Peter C. Messer (Texas A & M): "The Appropriate Duties of Each Sex: Gender and History in the Writings of Mercy Otis Warren and Hannah Adams"

Karen Robbins (St. Bonaventure University):  
"Power among the Powerless: Domestic Resistance by Free and Slave Women in the McHenry Family of the New Republic"

COMMENT: Rosemarie Zagari (George Mason University)

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## 20. CULTIVATING ENEMIES: ANGLOPHOBIA AND THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Alan Taylor (University of California-Davis)

Matthew Rainbow Hale (Brandeis University): "So Truly Abhorred": Jay's Treaty, Anglophobia, and American Nationalism"

Sam W. Haynes (University of Texas-Arlington): "America Rules England tonight, By Jesus!": Anti-British Attitudes and the Jacksonian Stage"

Nancy E. Packer (University of Delaware): "Polite and Patriotic Travelers: Americans in Britain in the Early Republic"

COMMENT: Lelia M. Roeckell (Molloy College)

## 21. RETHINKING THE PUBLIC/PRIVATE DICHOTOMY, CONNECTING POLITICAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY

CHAIR: Fredrika J. Teute (Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture)

Albrecht Koschnik (University of Virginia): "Young Men in Public and Private: Political Culture, Social Exchange and the Creation of Partisan Identities"

Lucia McMahon (Rutgers University): "Enjoying Each Other's Society": Gender, Sociability, and Identity in the Early Republic"

Kathryn Tomasek (Wheaton College): "Debarred the Pleasure of Participating": Women, Fourierism, and the Public Sphere"

COMMENT: Andrew Cayton (Miami University of Ohio),  
Fredrika J. Teute

## 22. THE CAPITALIST FRONTIER: INTEGRATION, MARGINALIZATION, ACCOMMODATION AND RESISTANCE ON THE FRINGES OF THE MARKET

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COMMENT: Sandra Van Burkleo

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Robert M. S. McDonald (West Point) and Christine Coalwell (International Center for Jefferson Studies): "Lost and Found: Thomas Jefferson's Newspaper Scrapbooks"

COMMENT: Jeff Pasley (University of Missouri, Columbia), David Waldstreicher

## 24. NEW YORK, NEW YORK

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Laura-Eve Moss (Encyclopedia of New York State): "The Purpose of Party?: Anti-Partyism and Constitution-Making in Mid-Nineteenth-Century New York"

COMMENT: William Pencak (Pennsylvania State University), Herb Sloan

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## 25 CULTIVATING MASCULINITY IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Gregory Massey (Freed-Hardeman University)

Lorri Glover (University of Tennessee-Knoxville): "Man, Made

in America: The John Balls of South Carolina and the Construction of Masculine Identity in the Early Republic"

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Craig Thompson Friend (University of Central Florida): "A Heart Full of Flattery: Cyrus Stuart and the Ambiguity and Anxiety of Becoming a Southern Gentleman"

COMMENT: Toby Ditz (the Johns Hopkins University), Gregory Massey

## 26. MARKET TRANSITIONS IN THE NEW REPUBLIC: THE PANICS OF 1797 AND 1819 IN MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA

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COMMENT: Christopher Clark (University of Warwick)

## 27. PATHS TO REFORM

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COMMENT: Gary J. Kornblith (Oberlin College)

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Presiding: Daniel Walker Howe (Oxford University), President-elect

Presidential Address: Joyce O. Appleby, (University of California, Los Angeles) "The Vexed Story of Capitalism Told by American Historians"

**Sunday, July 23, 2000 - 9:30-11:30 a.m.**

29. INFORMING CITIZENS FOR AN AGRARIAN REPUBLIC

CHAIR: Caroline Winterer (San Jose State University)

Sean R. Busick (University of South Carolina): "Making All the Ballads: William Gilmore Simms and the Education of Republican Citizens"

Carey M. Roberts (University of South Carolina): "Educating a Republican Majority: Thomas Jefferson, John Taylor, and the Principles of '98"

James E. Block (DePaul University): "The Shaping of Republican Citizenship: Reconstituting Socialization in the Early Republic"

COMMENT: Catherine E. Kelly (University of Oklahoma)

30. TO CONQUER SPACE

CHAIR: Carol Sheriff (the College of William and Mary)

Pamela L. Baker (University of Illinois at Chicago): "The Statecraft of Improvement: A Case Study of the National Road"

Michael Kimaid (Bowling Green State University): "Nothing would Be More Useful than the Apprehension of Merry': How the American Corps of Discovery Undercut Spanish Claims of Empire in North America"

COMMENT: Carol Sheriff

31. MORE STATELY MANSIONS

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David Steinberg (Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture): "Towards a New Republic by Way of Neoplatonism, or Oval Heads for the Public Sphere"

John W. Stamper (University of Notre Dame): "New York's Crystal Palace: Architecture and Industry in the Republic"

COMMENT: Alan Wallach (the College of William and Mary)

32. NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM?

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Max Edling (Stockholm University and the University of Cambridge): "The Constitution and the Antifederalist Opposition to State Formation"

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