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SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday, July 18

8:30 am-4:30 pm	Biography Writers' Workshop
12:00-5:30 pm	Salem and Peabody Essex Museum Tours
12:30-4:30 pm	Second-Book Writer's Workshop
12:30-5:30 pm	Adams Papers/Adams NHP Tours
1:00-4:00 pm	Walk the Boston Freedom Trail
5:00-7:30 pm	Conference Registration
6:00-7:30 pm	President's Plenary
7:30-9:30 pm	Plenary Reception

Friday, July 19

7:30-8:30 am	Coffee and Pop with the <i>JER</i> Editors
8:00 am-4:00 pm	Conference Registration
8:00 am-5:00 pm	Book Exhibit
8:30 am-12:15 pm	Sessions
12:30-2:00 pm	Graduate Research Seminars
12:30-2:00 pm	<i>JER</i> Editorial Board Meeting
12:30-2:00 pm	2020 Program Committee Meeting
2:00-5:45 pm	Sessions
3:15-6:00 pm	<i>USS Constitution</i> Tour
2:30-5:30 pm	MAAH Tour / Black Heritage Trail
6:30-8:30 pm	AAS/MHS Reception
8:30 pm	Grad Student Meet-and-Greet

Saturday, July 20

7:30-9:00 am	Boydston Women's Breakfast
8:00 am-4:00 pm	Conference Registration
8:30 am-5:00 pm	Book Exhibit
9:00 am-12:45 pm	Sessions
12:30-2:00 pm	SHEAR Advisory Council Meeting
12:30-2:00 pm	Broussard Book Prize Alumni Lunch
2:00-3:45 pm	Sessions
4:00-5:30 pm	Forum: A Useful Revolution?
5:30-6:30 pm	Ice Cream Social
5:30-6:00 pm	SHEAR Business Meeting – open to all
7:00-8:30 pm	Presidential Address and Awards Ceremony
8:30-10:00 pm	Awards Reception

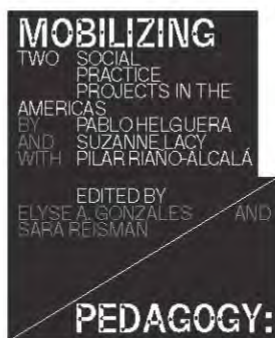
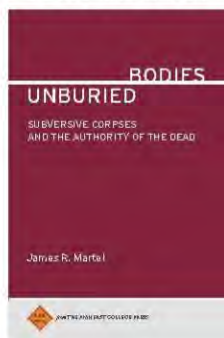
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Sunday, July 21

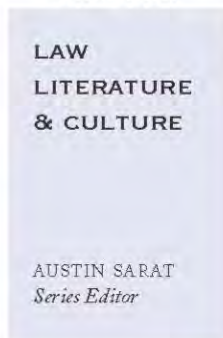
8:00-10:30 am	Conference Registration
8:30-11:00 am	Book Exhibit
9:00 am-12:45 pm	Sessions
1:30-5:30 pm	Concord Tour
1:30-5:30	Harvard & Slavery Walk; Royall House Tour

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AAS/MHS Reception: MHS, 1154 Boylston St., Boston

***Adams Papers/Peace field:** MHS, 1154 Boylston St., Boston

Biography Workshop: Longfellow House, 105 Brattle St.

Boylston Women's Breakfast: Salon 4

Coffee and Pop with the *JER* Editors: Salon 2

Common-place.org Editorial Board: Salon 5

Exhibit Hall: Salon 3

Graduate Research Seminars: Gather in Front Foyer

Graduate Student Meet-n-Greet: The Pour House Bar and Grill, 907 Boylston St., #921, Boston

Ice Cream Social: Grand Foyer

***JER* Editorial Board Meeting:** Salon 2

MAAH and Black Heritage Trail: 46 Joy St., Boston

President's Plenary: Salons 4 - 7

Plenary Reception: Grand Foyer

***Presidential Address:** Milstein West, Harvard Law School

2020 Program Committee: Salon 5

Second-Book Writers' Workshops: Colonial Society of Massachusetts, 87 Mt. Vernon St., Boston

SHEAR Advisory Council: Salon 4

***SHEAR Awards Reception:** Milstein East, HLS

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Walk the Boston Freedom Trail: 73 Tremont St., Boston

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upon the successful completion of her term as President of the
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As members of SHEAR you are the men and women that search out the past to inform the future. You are the men and women who make it possible for us to promote the Collective Contribution perspective as essential to understanding our nation's history and to advocating for national racial reconciliation.

Congratulations to Professor Gordon-Reed and thank you to the many former Presidents of SHEAR and the many members of SHEAR who have signed the Unpaid Labor Manifest for all you do to make ours a more perfect union.

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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME



Hello everyone! Welcome to Cambridge, and to the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic. It is particularly fitting that we meet in a place—Cambridge-Boston—that is so rich with the history of

the American Revolution and the Early American Republic, and we've taken steps to make the most of our time here. In addition to assembling stellar panels, we have arranged for conference participants to gain access to some of the dizzying array of museums and historical sites in Cambridge and its environs. The setting is perfect, as it allows for easy informal exploration on your own, or with any groups that may assemble spontaneously. Boston is just across a bridge from our hotel, by way of an easy access pedestrian walkway. Mass transit—the “T”—is easy to use, as are the city buses. Cambridge is a manageable city.

There are many people to thank for pulling this conference together. Robyn Davis, National Conference Coordinator extraordinaire, kept a sure and steady hand throughout the year as we made plans for the conference. Kathryn P. Viens, served as Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee, working with incredibly enthusiastic and energetic Committee members Steven Bullock, Margherita Desy, Paul Erickson, Eliga Gould, Rashauna Johnson, Jen Manion, John Morton, and Linda Thorsen. I knew from the first meeting, when they were brimming with ideas, that they would make the best use of our locale as could be made. Though an ocean separated the co-chairs of the Program Committee, Francis D. Cogliano and Sarah Pearsall, they worked seamlessly with extremely diligent and discerning Committee members John Belohlavek, Sarah Barringer Gordon, Richard Bell, Douglas Bradburn, Liz Covart,

Kathleen DuVal, Caitlin Fitz, Adam Jortner, Jane Kamensky, Ari Kelman, Benjamin E. Park, Steven Sarson, Manisha Sinha, and Katheryn P. Viens. Choosing from a great number of worthy panel applications was not easy, but the Committee did an excellent job, as you will see. Our debt of gratitude to these people, who gave their time and energy to make this happen, is enormous.

We will begin things in earnest on Thursday evening with the President's Plenary titled "Constituting Post-Revolutionary America." The plenary was designed to help us think about the immediate aftermath of the creation of the American Republic, and about all the various people who had a stake in the new country that emerged after the break with Great Britain. The topic engages politics, social life, culture, and law. Many different individuals and groups had sometimes sharply divergent views about the direction the new country should take after independence; their attitudes borne of their experiences. From the most well-known revolutionaries, to artisans and working people, loyalists, indigenous people, white women and white men, black men and women, enslaved and free – all had been ushered into a new world. What did they make of this new world? What hopes did they have it? What obstacles did they face in the New Republic? What, if anything, do their experiences have to offer us today as Americans living in the third century of the "Experiment?" The panelists will explore these and other questions, with the participation of the audience.

On Friday, there will be a special panel to honor the memory of Jan Ellen Lewis, a past president of SHEAR and one of the Society's longest-serving active members, whom we lost last August. Jan was a beloved teacher, mentor, and scholar. The panel will discuss those aspects of her life, with a special focus on her scholarship. We hope you will come and share your thoughts about Jan and her work. Later that evening we will follow tradition in recognizing other scholarly achievements. Our thanks go to the members of the SHEAR Book Prize and the James Bradford Best Biography Prize—April Haynes

(Chair), Manisha Sinha, and Jeffrey L. Pasley; the James Broussard Best First Book Prize—Gregory Nobles (Chair), Ronald Johnson, and Cynthia Kierner; the Mary Kelley Prize in the History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality—Stacey Robertson (Chair), Kate Haulman, and Leigh Fought. The book prizes, along with the Ralph D. Gray article prize and the SHEAR dissertation prize, all will be awarded after the Presidential Address.

This year, we are inaugurating the Biography Writers' Workshop, and we thank Craig Thompson Friend for conceptualizing the day-long workshop, and Charlene Boyer Lewis, Sara Georgini, Lorri Glover, Amy Greenberg, Lucia McMahon, and Tamara Thornton for sharing their expertise. As ever, SHEAR's commitment to the next generation of scholars continues. We are hosting the fifth annual Graduate Research Seminars, and we offer thanks to the remarkable scholars who lead them: Ben Irvin and Serena Zabin; Ari Kelman, Julie Reed, and Christina Snyder; Rachel Hope Cleves and Carolyn Eastman; and Martha Jones and Kate Masur. We are also hosting the third annual Second-Book Writers' Workshop and I thank the 2BWW co-chairs, Honor Sachs and Thomas Balcerski, for their leadership and the session mentors for their generosity: Kathleen DuVal, Paul Erickson, Christina Snyder, and Nick Syrett.

All in all, this promises to be a wonderful opportunity for us to gather, listen to scholarly presentations, explore history in the area, spend time with old friends, and make new ones. I look forward to seeing you all.

Annette Gordon-Reed



I am pleased to honor my good friend, Annette Gordon-Reed.

- She is an exceptional historian, and SHEAR is fortunate to have her as its President.

What makes this event so special for me is that I can also honor Annette by supporting SHEAR's inaugural Ice Cream Social.

- Not only is Annette a lover of American history, but also a lover of ice cream.
- I am too!

I am a serious collector of printed items, mostly first editions from Britain and the United States in the 17th and 18th centuries. These mainly concern politics and economics, the gradual expansion of rights for Americans, and in particular the abolition of slavery and the slave trade.

Because I believe in the vital importance of history, I am a member of SHEAR, and a supporter and board member of many organizations in the field of Early American History.

Through several of these organizations I also fund fellowships. Items from my collection have been and will continue to be donated to most of these organizations:

- The American Antiquarian Society (Chair)
- The American Jewish Historical Society (Chair)
- The Institute for Thomas Paine Studies at Iona College (Advisor)
- The Lapidus Center for the Historical Analysis of Transatlantic Slavery at the Schomburg Center in Harlem (Founder)
- The New-York Historical Society (Chair - Library Committee)
- The Omohundro Institute ("OI") (Board member)
- The Princeton University History Dept. (Advisory Council)

On behalf of myself and these organizations, I thank all of you for attending this year's SHEAR conference, and for your participation in the study and writing of Early American History.

Enjoy the ice cream; I hope cherry vanilla is available!

Sid Lapidus

ABOUT SHEAR



Established in 1977, the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic is an association of scholars dedicated to exploring events and meanings of United States history between 1776 and 1861.

SHEAR's mission is to foster the study of the early republican period among professional historians, students, and the general public. It upholds the highest intellectual standards of the historical profession and encourages the broad diffusion of historical insights through all appropriate channels, including schools, museums, libraries, electronic media, public programming, archives, and publications. SHEAR cherishes a democratic ethos in scholarship and cultivates close, respectful, and productive exchanges between serious scholars at every level of experience and recognition.

SHEAR membership is open to all. Most members are professional historians employed in colleges, universities, museums, and historical parks and agencies, as well as independent scholars and graduate students.

The ideas and institutions of the United States' founding era are part of the cultural legacy of every American. The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic seeks to enrich that legacy with the deepest insights of historical research, combined with a spirit of intellectual democracy best expressed in ongoing communication with the public. For more information, please visit www.shear.org.

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The James H. Broussard Best First Book Prize is awarded to the best monograph by a new author published in the previous calendar year and dealing with any aspect of the history of the early American republic.

The Mary Kelley prize in the History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality honors the best book published on the history of women, gender, or sexuality in the early American republic.

The James C. Bradford Biography Prize is awarded to the author of an original biography, broadly defined, of a person active during the early republic.

The Ralph D. Gray Article Prize honors the best original article published in the previous volume of the *JER*.

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Highlights of ITPS initiatives, past and present, include the Gardiner Archival Fellowship program, the October 2018 conference "Revolutionary Texts in a Digital Age," the Text Attribution Project (TAP) and several forthcoming publishing partnerships. Our collaborations include participation in the McNeil Center Consortium, sponsorships with professional organizations and museums, and outreach in the local community. The ITPS is also developing a vibrant digital presence through its social media and blog, ITPS

Updates. Please feel free to reach out with any questions at itps@iona.edu.



WELCOME TO CAMBRIDGE!

The 41st SHEAR annual meeting truly showcases the best our region has to offer. Explore Cambridge—from its closely-knit neighborhoods, amazing restaurants and live music scene, to the campus of MIT and Harvard Yard. Then take the T from Kendall Square (next to the conference hotel) one stop across the Charles River into Boston. Here, you'll find many of America's most revered historic sites associated with the American Revolution, the early republic, and abolition: the Old North Church, Old State House, Faneuil Hall, and the African Meeting House, to name just a few. Boston is also home to some of the nation's most beloved cultural institutions, including the Boston Symphony, the Museum of Fine Arts, and the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. The research collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society, Harvard Libraries, Boston Athenaeum, Boston Public Library, New England Historic Genealogical Society, and other local institutions are unrivalled. And, while Boston and Cambridge hum to the academic calendar, our championship pro teams routinely wreak havoc with the seasons: Red Sox baseball is a fall sport, and we follow Bruins hockey well into the spring (we won't mention the team down in Foxborough!).

Yet Cambridge and Boston are also cities brimming with new development, from the science and technology firms of Kendall Square to the Fenway Park neighborhood and across town to the Seaport District, where you'll find the Institute of Contemporary Art and delicious waterfront dining. Wander the quiet, elegant streets of Beacon Hill or enjoy a fresh cannoli in the bustling Italian North End. And don't forget to get ON the water, whether you take a cruise to the Boston Harbor Islands, hop on the MBTA water shuttle to Charlestown and the *USS Constitution*, or rent your own kayak from Charles River Canoe and Kayak back in Kendall Square. This year's meeting also offers the chance to head north, south, and west on trips to Salem, the Adams family home in Quincy, and Concord.

All of these opportunities top off a full schedule of workshops and conference sessions that provide the greatest concentration of new scholarship on the early republic to be found anywhere—not to mention the most approachable cohorts of junior and senior scholars in the profession!

Plan to visit **Salem** on Thursday prior to the start of the conference. Join one of two itineraries: a 90-minute walking tour of the waterfront or National Park Service tours of the 1675 Narbonne House, the 1762 Derby House, and the Salem Custom House. Then proceed to the Peabody Essex Museum with time to tour the international collections.

Also on Thursday, conference-goers can explore the **Adams Papers** and the **Adams National Historical Park**. View manuscript treasures at the Massachusetts Historical Society with project editors. Then, board the bus for Quincy and a National Park Service guided tour of *Old House at Peace field*, the home of John and Abigail Adams and John Quincy and Louisa Catherine Adams.

Those who wish to remain a bit closer to the hotel can **Walk the Boston Freedom Trail, SHEAR style!** on Thursday, with stops at two colonial-era burying grounds, the Old State House, and Faneuil Hall.

Join us on Thursday night for the official opening of the SHEAR conference at the **Plenary Reception** in the conference hotel.

Friday afternoon offers another chance to explore historic sites. You might tour the **Boston Museum of African American History** followed with a self-guided walk of the 1.6-mile Black Heritage Trail. Or, get a behind-the-scenes look at the **USS Constitution Museum** archives and a guided tour of “Old Ironsides.”

On Friday evening, the **Massachusetts Historical Society** and the **American Antiquarian Society** will host an elegant early evening reception at the MHS on Boylston Street.

But the first full day of the conference isn't over yet (at least not for grad students)! Local students will welcome their colleagues at the informal **Graduate Student Meet-n-Greet** just down the street from the MHS at **The Pour House Bar and Grill**.

Saturday begins with the **Boydston Women's Breakfast**, which honors the life and career of long-time SHEAR member and supporter Jeanne Boydston. This is an uplifting event in which senior scholars typically sponsor graduate students and early-career professionals.

Plan to remain in the area for two post-conference tours on Sunday. Begin your visit to historic Concord at the Old North Bridge in **Minuteman National Historical Park**. Tour the Old Manse, home to Ralph Waldo Emerson and Nathaniel Hawthorne, and then the Robbins House, the home of Revolutionary War veteran Caesar Robbins, his descendants, and other African-American families followed by a guided tour of downtown Concord and its Revolutionary landmarks.

Our final event is a **Harvard and Slavery Walk** followed by a tour of the **Isaac Royall House** in nearby Medford, site of the only extant freestanding slave quarters in the northern U.S.

These programs only scratch the surface of all that the Cambridge and Boston region has to offer. Colleagues with an interest in historic house museums won't want to miss the Paul Revere House, Historic New England's Harrison Gray Otis House, the Longfellow House & Washington's Headquarters in Cambridge, the Shirley-Eustis House, or the Nichols House, all easily accessible by public transportation.

Further afield (roughly an hour's drive) you'll discover the beginnings of the industrial revolution at Slater Mill in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and the Lowell National Historical Park. If you're driving across Massachusetts, consider stopping for an immersive historical experience at Hancock Shaker Village, Old Sturbridge Village, or Fruitlands, the site of a utopian community and now maintained by the Trustees of Reservations. Numerous other sites bring the history of the early republic alive in our region.

It's been twelve years since SHEAR convened in Massachusetts, and twenty-five years since a SHEAR meeting was just a trolley ride away from all that Cambridge and Boston have to offer. We are thrilled to welcome you back and look forward to joining you at a great conference!

Kate Viens, Chair, local arrangements

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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Biography Writers' Workshop, Thursday 18 July. Six presenters will cover topics related to historical biography followed by breakout working groups.

Second-Book Workshop, Thursday 18 July. Four senior scholar mentors will each facilitate a workshop session for historians of the early American republic who are currently working on second book projects.

Salem Maritime National Historic Site and Peabody Essex Museum Tours, Thursday 18 July: NPS Rangers will lead tours of 1675 Narbonne House, the 1762 Derby House, and the 200-year-old Salem Custom House. Then visit the Peabody Essex Museum for a presentation by maritime historian George Schwartz, PhD and self-tour the international collections in the PEM galleries. *Bus departs hotel at 12:00; returns by 5:30.*

Historic Salem Waterfront and Peabody Essex Museum Tours, Thursday 18 July: Margherita Desy, maritime and early U.S. Navy historian, leads a 90-minute walking tour of Salem's waterfront. Then visit the Peabody Essex Museum for a presentation by maritime historian George Schwartz, PhD and self-tour the international collections in the PEM galleries. *Bus departs hotel at 12:00; returns by 5:30.*

Adams Papers @ MHS and Adams National Historical Park, Thursday, 18 July: Go behind-the-scenes at Massachusetts Historical Society with Adams Papers' editors who will showcase treasures from the family's manuscripts. Next, enjoy a Park Ranger guided tour through *Old House at Peace field*, home of two presidents, two first ladies and a

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Thursday 18 July: Boston history expert Bob Allison will guide a tour from Boston Common to the North End. Along the way, visit the 1713 Old State House, the 1742 Faneuil Hall, and two colonial-era burying grounds. *Tour sets off from 73 Tremont St at 1:00 pm.*

President's Plenary, Thursday, 18 July. SHEAR's 41st annual conference opens at 6:00 with the President's Plenary, "Constituting the United States: Living in the Wake of Revolution."

Plenary Reception, Thursday 18 July. In the Marriott immediately following the President's Plenary, from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. *Co-sponsored by MCEAS.*

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Coffee and Pop with the *JER* Editors, Friday 19 July:

Andy Shankman and David Waldstreicher invite graduate students and early career scholars to meet for an informal early-morning conversation.

***JER* Editorial Board Meeting, Friday 19 July.** The *JER* editorial board meets at 12:30.

Graduate Research Seminars, Friday 19 July.

Continuing SHEAR's long tradition of mentoring graduate students, nine senior scholars will lead four concurrent research seminars for advanced graduate students and recent graduates, devoted to different scholarly topics in the history of the early republic. *Co-sponsored by Harvard Business School and the Faculty of Arts and Sciences.*



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2020 Program Committee Meeting, Friday 19 July. The Program Committee for the 2020 SHEAR conference in Philadelphia will meet beginning at 2:00.

Museum of African-American History and Self-Guided Black Heritage Trail, Friday 19 July: Ninety-minute guided tour of the Boston Museum of African American History, including the Abiel Smith School (1835) and the adjacent 1806 African Meeting House, the oldest extant black church building in the U.S. and the hub of Boston's nineteenth-century African American community. On their own, participants may follow the 1.6-mile Black Heritage Trail that focuses on Boston's free black community and their efforts in the abolition movement, the Underground Railroad, and early struggles for equality and justice. *Meet at 2:30 at the MAAH, 46 Joy Street.*

USS Constitution Tour, Friday 19 July: Kate Monea, archivist, and Harrie Sloodbeck, collections manager, of the USS Constitution Museum share rare materials from the Museum. Next, Margherita Desy, U.S. Navy historian for USS *Constitution*, gives a one-hour tour of “Old Ironsides.”

NOTES: A government-issued photo I.D. is required to board the USS *Constitution*. Tour includes standing and climbing ladderways between decks; comfortable shoes are recommended. Space is limited, and reservations are required. *Bus departs hotel at 3:15 and returns by 6:30.*

AAS/MHS Reception, Friday 19 July: The American Antiquarian Society and the Massachusetts Historical Society welcome SHEARites at a reception from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Massachusetts Historical Society (1154 Boylston St.).

Graduate Student Meet-n-Greet, Friday 19 July.

Graduate students from the area will welcome their colleagues at an informal gathering beginning at 9:00 p.m. at The Pour House Bar and Grill (907 Boylston St.). *Co-sponsored by Harvard Business school and the University of New Hampshire.*

Boydston Women's Breakfast, Saturday 20 July. The women of SHEAR will gather from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. for their eleventh annual breakfast honoring the life and career of long-time SHEAR member and supporter Jeanne Boydston. Tickets are \$25.00 for a hearty and heartening breakfast; reservations are required. *Co-sponsored by the Omohundro Institute.*

SHEAR Advisory Council, Saturday 20 July. The Advisory Council meets at 12:30. *Sponsored by Boston U.*

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Awards Reception, Saturday 20 July. The SHEAR awards reception follows immediately after the presidential address in

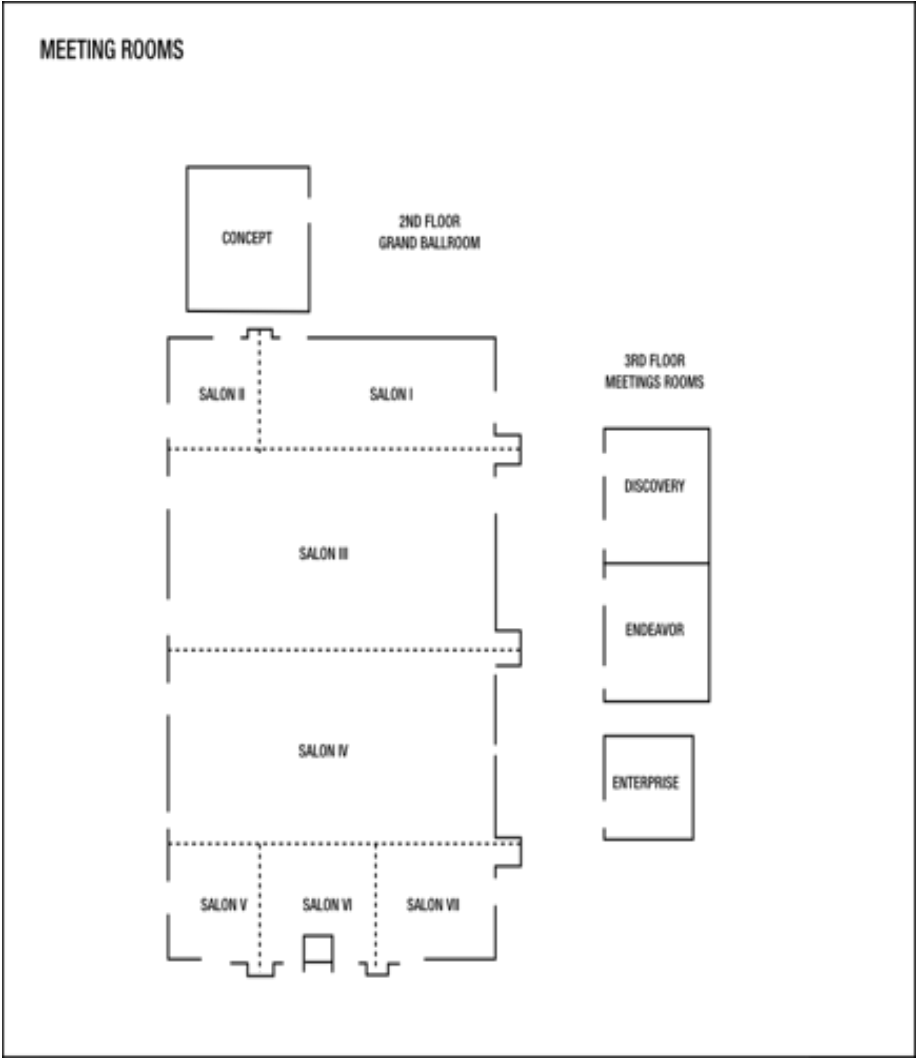
Milstein Hall at Harvard Law School. *Shuttle buses will circle between hotel and HLS starting at 6:00 and run until 10:00 pm. Sponsored by Harvard Law School. Co-sponsored by the Institute for Thomas Paine Studies.*

Tour of Historical Concord, Sunday 21 July. Led by Concord history expert Bob Gross, tour begins at the Minuteman National Historical Park. Visit the Old North Bridge, the Old Manse (home of Ralph Waldo Emerson and later Nathaniel Hawthorne) and Robbins House (home of multiple African-American families including descendants of Revolutionary War veteran Caesar Robbins). Encounter Revolutionary landmarks such as the Wright Tavern, the First Parish meeting house, and the site of Henry David Thoreau's lectures. Space is limited and reservations are required. *Bus departs hotel at 1:15; returns by 5:45.*

Harvard and Slavery Walk, and Royall House Tour, Sunday 21 July. Led by Dr. Caitlin Hopkins, Lecturer and Research Associate at Harvard University and currently investigating Harvard and slavery for the Office of the President. Dr. Hopkins will share recent discoveries on the role of enslaved people and the slave trade in Harvard's long history. After the walk, you'll travel by bus to the Isaac Royall House and Slave Quarters in nearby Medford for a docent-led tour. This eighteenth-century home of the Royall family includes the only extant freestanding slave quarters in the northern United States. *Bus departs hotel at 1:30 pm and returns at approximately 5:30 pm.*



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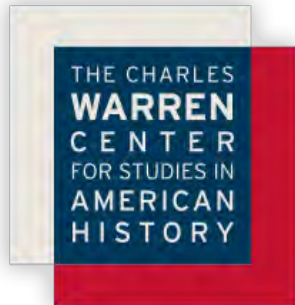


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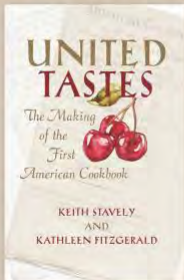


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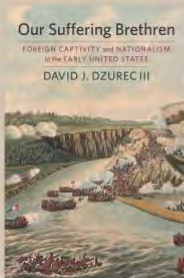
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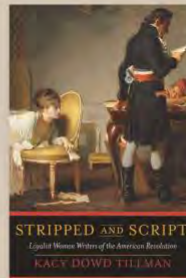
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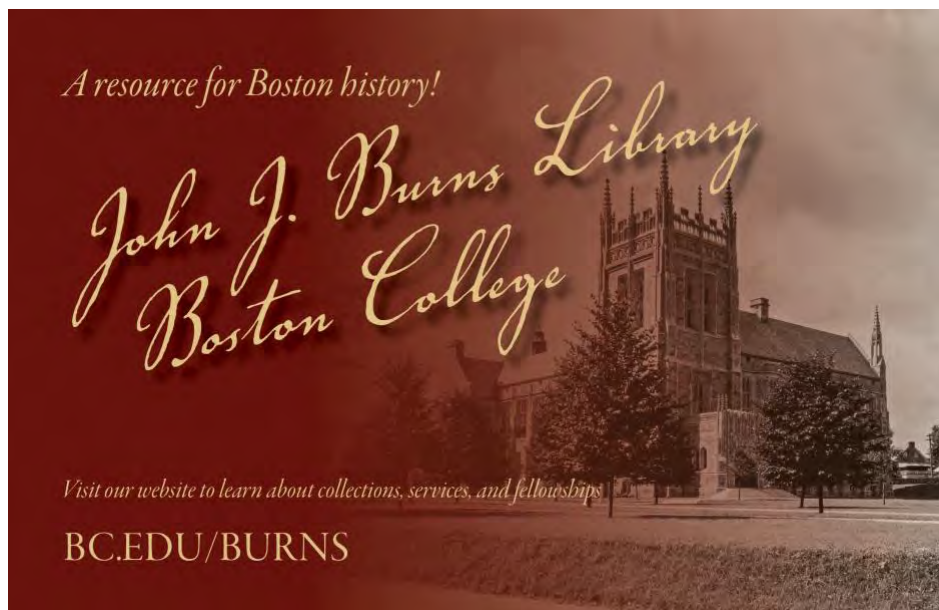
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- Rebecca Brannon, James Madison University
- Jessica Lepler, University of New Hampshire
- Margot Minardi, Reed College
- Mark Schmeller, Syracuse University
- Kara Swanson, Northeastern University

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- Joseph Adelman, Framingham State University
- Tom Balcerski, Eastern Connecticut State University
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- Shea Robison, College of Eastern Idaho



SECOND-BOOK WRITERS' WORKSHOP

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- Eileen Cheng, Sarah Lawrence College
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- Wendy Warren, Princeton University

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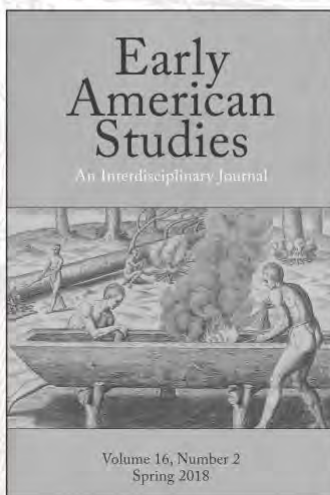
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Sara Georgini, The Papers of John Adams, MHS
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Amy Greenberg, Pennsylvania State University
Lucia McMahon, William Paterson University
Tamara Thornton, State University of New York, Buffalo

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Nicole Belolan, MARCH, Rutgers University-Camden
Mary Bilder, Boston College
Tom Chambers, Niagara University
Vivian Bruce Conger, Ithaca College
Tom Cutterham, University of Birmingham
Kathrinne Duffy, Brown University
Kirsten Fischer, University of Minnesota
Craig Friend, North Carolina State University
Alexi Garrett, University of Virginia
Ruth Herndon, Bowling Green State University
Martha J. King, Papers of Thomas Jefferson, Princeton
Deborah Kisatsky, Assumption College
Martha S. Jones, Johns Hopkins University
Charlene Boyer Lewis, Kalamazoo College
Gabriel Loiacono, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
Lucia McMahon, William Paterson University
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American Revolution with Ben Irvin (Indiana) and Serena Zabin (Carleton College)

- Nicole Breault, University of Connecticut: “The Night Watch of Boston: Law and Governance in Eighteenth-Century British America”
- Eileen Palma, Leeds University
- Amanda Rumba, Purdue University
- Catherine Treesh, Yale University: “Creating a Continental Community: Committees of Correspondence and the American Revolution”

Native American History with Ari Kelman (UC Davis), Julie Reed (Penn State), and Christina Snyder (Penn State)

- Kevin S. Hooper, University of Oklahoma: “Seizing Citizenship: African Americans, Native Americans, and the Pursuit of Citizenship in the Antebellum United States”
- Franklin Sammons, UC-Berkeley: “Yazoo’s Settlement: Law, Finance, and Dispossession in the Southeaster Borderlands, 1783-1820”

GRADUATE RESEARCH SEMINARS

*Slavery and Freedom with Martha Jones (Johns Hopkins)
and Kate Masur (Northwestern)*

- Meagan Wierda, Rutgers University: “To Count and Be Counted: Quantifying Race and Citizenship During the Early American Republic”
- Gregory Wiker, University of Rochester: “These Broken Chains: Slavery and Emancipation in Bermuda, 1784-1859”

GRADUATE RESEARCH SEMINARS

Centering Gender in the Early Republic with Rachel Hope Cleves (University of Victoria) and Carolyn Eastman (Virginia Commonwealth)

- Chloe Chapin, Harvard University: “American Formality: Uniformity, Masculinity, and Power, 1820-1850”
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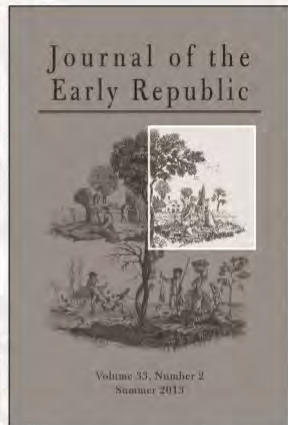
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6:00–7:30 PM

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UNITED STATES: LIVING IN THE WAKE OF
REVOLUTION**

WELCOME • Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard Law School
Frank Cogliano, University of Edinburgh
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FRIDAY, JULY 19

8:30–10:15 AM

**2 • ROUNDTABLE: VISUALIZING DEMOCRACY - VOTING,
POLITICAL PARTIES, AND THE MAPPING EARLY
AMERICAN ELECTIONS PROJECT**

PRESIDING • Jeffrey Pasley, University of Missouri, Columbia

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Philip Lampi, American Antiquarian Society
Greta Swain, George Mason University
Jordan Bratt, George Mason University

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**3 • NEGOTIATING RACE IN ANTEBELLUM ERA
FOODWAYS**

PRESIDING • John Bell, Boston University

*Street Food Vending and the Borders of Belonging in
Antebellum New Orleans*

Ashley Rose Young, Smithsonian Institute

*“Without the intervention of servants”: Agnotology in
Action at Jefferson’s Presidential Table*

Erika Gibson, Chapman University

*Bowls and the Meaning of Race: Dining in Antebellum
Charleston, South Carolina*

Kelly Sharp, Luther College

*Sticky Fingers: Southern Barbeque as a Campaign
Strategy of the Early Republic*

Taylor Haberle, Chef

COMMENT • Carla Cevasco, Rutgers University
John Bell

4 • AFRICAN AMERICANS AND THE URBAN NORTH

PRESIDING • Kate Masur, Northwestern

Black Exodus and the Origins of Architecture

Bryan E. Norwood, University of Michigan

*“The Liberatory Limits of Urban Capitalism”: Freedom
and Property in Seneca Village*

Alexander Manevitz, Trinity College

Flight or Fight: The Fugitive Slave Law in Boston

Kellie Carter Jackson, Wellesley College

COMMENT • Kate Masur

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5 • FEDERALIST NEW YORK: BUSINESS, POLITICS, AND FAMILY

PRESIDING • Ruma Chopra, San Jose State University

Theophylact Bache's Water Lots: How Merchants Turned the East River into Exclusive Land

Kathryn Lasdow, Suffolk University

The Politics of Women's Inheritance and Class Consolidation in Post-Revolutionary New York City

Alisa Wade, California State University, Chico

Angelica Church and Caesar's Daughter: Family and Faction in Federalist New York

Tom Cutterham, University of Birmingham

COMMENT • Brian Murphy, Rutgers University-Newark
Ruma Chopra

6 • AFTER DISESTABLISHMENT: CONTINUING BATTLES OVER THE PLACE OF RELIGION IN AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE

PRESIDING • Jonathan Den Hartog, University of Northwestern-St. Paul

"Formed for the Public Good": The Dartmouth College Controversy and the Debate over Republican Religion in New Hampshire

Brian Franklin, Southern Methodist University

"Sunday is not the Sabbath": Mail and Closing Laws in Pennsylvania after Disestablishment

Rebecca Brenner, American University

"To Dispense Knowledge without Religion": Disestablishment and Debates over Sunday School Curriculum in Massachusetts Common Schools"

Elise Leal, Whitworth University

COMMENT • Johann Neem, Western Washington University

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7 • COMMUNITY AND SOVEREIGNTY IN THE NORTHERN BORDERLANDS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PRESIDING • Elizabeth Mancke, University of New Brunswick

James Whitelaw, John Witherspoon, and a Presbyterian Scheme for a Protestant Vermont

Craig Gallagher, Boston College

“Independence within Independence”: The Vermont Republic in the Revolutionary Atlantic

Jacqueline Reynoso, Cal State Channel Islands

“Status Quo Ante Bellum”? Rethinking the Treaty of Ghent
Lawrence B. A. Hatter, Washington State University

COMMENT • Jeffers Lennox, Wesleyan University

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8 • BEYOND NORTH VERSUS SOUTH: SLAVERY'S LONG LIFE IN THE MID-ATLANTIC STATES

PRESIDING • David Gellman, DePauw University

Death, Resistance, and Public Order: State Reactions to Slave Suicide in Eighteenth Century New York

Sarah Pearlman Shapiro, Brown University

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R. Isabela Morales, Princeton University

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Kellen Heniford, Columbia University

COMMENT • Sarah Gronningsater, University of Pennsylvania
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AND CONSUMPTION IN THE EARLY NATIONAL ERA**

PRESIDING • Joanne Pope Melish, University of Kentucky

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Brian D. Carroll, Moravian College

*Exhuming the Past: The Archaeological Evidence for
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Nicholas Bellantoni, University of Connecticut

COMMENT • Michael Bell, Author and Folklorist

**10 • BODY POLITICS: BEAUTY AND FASHION IN EARLY
AMERICA**

PRESIDING • Lynne Zacek Bassett, University of Connecticut

*The Curious Case of the Female Forehead: The Visual
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Rachel E. Walker, University of Hartford

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Amy Sopcak-Joseph, University of Connecticut

*“Quite the Appearance of Ladies”: Picturing Mill Girls in
American Serials*

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Lindsay DiCuirci, University of Maryland Baltimore
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COMMENT • Mary Cathryn Cain, Agnes Scott College

11 • ROUNDTABLE: THE SCHOLARSHIP OF JAN LEWIS

PRESIDING • Diane Miller Sommerville, Binghamton University

Jan Lewis's Gender History

Carolyn Eastman, Virginia Commonwealth
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David Waldstreicher, The Graduate Center, CUNY

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Nicole Eustace, New York University

COMMENT • Diane Miller Sommerville

**12 • AFTER THE FIRE: DISASTER RELIEF, REFORM,
LOCAL POWER IN AMERICAN CITIES**

PRESIDING • Benjamin L. Carp, Brooklyn College, CUNY

*Disaster Relief in the Early Republic: The Portsmouth,
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Cynthia A. Kierner, George Mason University

Urban Reform and the Richmond Theatre Fire of 1811

Jewel L. Spangler, University of Calgary

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Indemnification, and City Power*

Jane Manners, Princeton University

COMMENT • Benjamin L. Carp

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13 • ROUNDTABLE: GOING PUBLIC – HISTORY AND HUMANITIES BEYOND THE ACADEMY

PRESIDING • Honor Sachs, University of Colorado

Kendra T. Field, Tufts University
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COMMENT • the Audience

14 • TRANSLATING THE FRENCH REVOLUTION AND REPUBLIC FOR THE AMERICANS AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND REPUBLIC FOR THE FRENCH

PRESIDING • Gérard Hugues, Professor Emeritus, University of Aix-Marseille

*The French Revolution Debate in the Early Republic
Media Strategies and the Modelling of Republicanism and
Citizenship*

Audrey Mallet, University of Paris VII—Denis
Diderot

Thomas Paine in France New Directions

Carine Lounissi, University of Rouen

*Representing the Early Republic(s) Abroad: Philip
Mazzei's Ambassadorship to Europe between Parallel
Diplomacy and Propaganda*

Francesca Genesio, University of Aix Marseille

*The Modernity and Morality of the American Revolution
and Early Republic as displayed by Gouverneur Morris in
France*

Emilie Mitran, University of Aix-Marseille

COMMENT • Linda Garbaye, University of Clermont-Auvergne

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15 • DIFFERENT DRUMMERS: IMPROVISING SINGULAR CAREERS IN THE NEW NATION

PRESIDING • Katherine Grandjean, Wellesley College

"A Speckled Bird among the Birds of the Forest": Lorenzo Dow and the Uses of Eccentricity in Early-National Preaching

Seth Perry, Princeton University

"Burning with the Book Fever": Parson Weems's extraordinary career

Steven C. Bullock, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Mary Webb and the Performance of Dramatic Reading

Jennifer L. Brady, Harvard University

COMMENT • Katherine Grandjean

16 • ARISTOCRACY IN AMERICA: OLD WORLD ORIGINS OF POLITICAL CULTURE IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

PRESIDING • Daniel Kilbride, John Carroll University

Material Liaisons: American Parlors, French Décor, and the New Nation

Nicole Mahoney, University of Maryland, College Park

Corrupt Bargains (and the Men Who Made Them): Constructing Natural Aristocracy in Early Republican Thought

Max Matherne, University of Tennessee

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Armin Mattes, University of Virginia

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**17 • REVISITING SLAVERY AS AN INSTITUTION:
ENSLAVED PEOPLE AND STATECRAFT IN THE EARLY
REPUBLIC**

PRESIDING • Rashauna Johnson, Dartmouth College

*“Destroyed for Public Good”: Black Deaths and the
Creation of the Early National Common Good*

Ryan A. Quintana, Wellesley College

*“The United States Government shall establish a market
for all the gold dug at the South”: Gold Mining as Central
Banking in the Age of Hard Money*

Ann Daly, Brown University

*“Government of the Slaves”: Recaptured Black Loyalists
and the birth of the Virginian State at the Chiswell Lead
Mines, 1775-1785*

Sean Gallagher, University of California, Davis

COMMENT • Rashauna Johnson

**18 • ROUNDTABLE: JOANNE FREEMAN'S THE FIELD OF
BLOOD**

PRESIDING • Todd Estes, Oakland University

PANELISTS • David Silkenat, University of Edinburgh
Amy Greenberg, Penn State University
Jonathan Earle, Louisiana State University

COMMENT • Joanne Freeman, Yale University

**19 • ROUNDTABLE: TEACHING MAJOR TOPICS TO NON-
HISTORY STUDENTS**

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PRESIDING • John L. Larson, Purdue University

Fostering Personal Encounters with Slavery

Anne Twitty, University of Mississippi

Drawing Students Through Contentious-Consensus History

Craig Hollander, The College of New Jersey

Embracing Topicality With Digital Databases

Steven Carl Smith, Providence College

Demystifying the Historian's Craft at the High School Level

Jennifer Muenz, The Dalton School

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**20 • RETHINKING STATE POWER THROUGH INDIVIDUALS
IN THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE**

PRESIDING • Eliga Gould, University of New Hampshire

"Intrigues of a Foreign Minister": The Free Press and Foreign Intervention in Early U.S. Politics

Tyson F. Reeder, University of Virginia

Joel Roberts Poinsett and Martial Capitalism in the Early Republic United States

Lindsay Schakenbach Regele, Miami University

"Unless I can interest some of my army friends": Land Speculation by Military Officers in Alabama, 1816-1820"

Franklin Sammons, University of California-Berkeley

"I Had Determined to Write No More of These Private Letters": The Quasi-Private Diplomatic Correspondence of Early Republic Politicians

Thomas Balcerski, Eastern Connecticut State University

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**21 • BREASTS, BELLIES, AND BARE LEGS: THE
GENDERED BODY IN ANTEBELLUM FOOD CULTURE**

PRESIDING • Kelsey Brow, King Manor House Museum

*"The Groaning Table": Urban Nostalgia for the Domestic
Economy of Farmhouse Food in Antebellum New England*
Elizabeth White Nelson, University of Nevada, Las
Vegas

*"The Boundary of the Bottle": Infant Feeding in Early
American Vegetarianism, 1817-1850*

Kathryn R. Falvo, Franklin & Marshall College

*"Good Food, Bad Sex": The Links Between Illicit Sexuality
and Hedonic Eating in Antebellum Periodicals*

Rachel Hope Cleves, University of Victoria

COMMENT • Bonnie M. Miller, University of Massachusetts at
Boston

**22 • PUBLIC HISTORY: BEYOND UNIVERSITIES STUDYING
SLAVERY**

PRESIDING • Nora Murphy, MIT Institute Archives and Special
Collections

Scarlet and Black

Miya Carey, Rutgers University

The African American Trail Project

Kerri Greenidge, Tufts University

Student Research, Student Activism

Caitlin Galante-DeAngelis Hopkins, Harvard
University

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COMMENT • Nora Murphy

23 • NAVIGATING CITIZENSHIP: ACCESSIBILITY IN EARLY AMERICA

PRESIDING • Brian DeLay, UC Berkeley

Accessing the Material Culture of Physical Disability in the Early Republic

Nicole Belolan, Rutgers University-Camden

Invalid Architecture: Navigating the Built Landscape of Philadelphia's Medical World, 1790-1840

Nicole Schroeder, University of Virginia

"Denied by Design: Access and Exclusion in Early American Political Architecture

Erin M. Holmes, American Philosophical Society

COMMENT • Ben Irvin, Department of History Indiana University

24 • ROUNDTABLE: EARLY AMERICA ON THE OPINION PAGE - WRITING HISTORICALLY-MINDED PIECES FOR CONTEMPORARY MEDIA

PRESIDING • Jill Lepore, Harvard University/The New Yorker

PANELISTS • Yoni Appelbaum, The Atlantic

Erica Armstrong Dunbar, Rutgers University

John Fea, Messiah College

Gautham Rao, American University

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25 • MERCHANTS, COMMERCE, AND CONFLICTED 'AMERICAN' IDENTITIES, 1770-1840

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PRESIDING • Joseph P. Slaughter, United States Naval Academy

“Out of the Jawbones of Scotch Grampius”: Scottish Merchants and Personal Identities and Personal Identities in Revolutionary North Carolina, c. 1770-1780

Kimberly Sherman, Cape Fear Community College

“Satisfied with their native land”: Young American Expatriates in the Early Republic

Megan R. Brett, George Mason University

“A very shrewd calculating people:” American Commercial ‘Manliness’ in an Anglo-American World

Lisa A. Francavilla, International Center for Jefferson Studies

COMMENT • Natalie Zacek, University of Manchester
Will B. Mackintosh, University of Mary Washington

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PRESIDING • Mark Edward Lender, Kean University

PANELISTS • Lindsay M. Chervinsky, White House Historical Association

Lauren Duval, American University

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Ricardo A. Herrera, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Dana Stefanelli, Fred W. Smith Library for the Study of George Washington

COMMENT • Mark Edward Lender

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PRESIDING • Brian Schoen, Ohio University

Abolishing Slavery in Motion

Scott Heerman, University of Miami

North American Quiet, West Indian Storm: The Constitutional Politics and Legacy of the Somerset Decision

Matthew Mason, Brigham Young University

“A Free Soil Caribbean?: Anglo-American Expansion, Abolition, and the Illegal Slave Trade in the 1840s”

Christa Dierksheide, University of Virginia

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28 • PRISONERS, POLICING, AND PROFIT: RACE AND LABOR IN EARLY CARCERAL INSTITUTIONS

PRESIDING • Rachel Weil, Cornell University

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Alexi Garrett, University of Virginia

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Gregory Wiker, University of Rochester

“Bars to Freedom”: The Antislavery Roots of Urban Incarceration in New York City, 1828-1860

Michael Haggerty, University of California-Davis

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Heather Schoenfeld, Boston University

29 • POWER AND RIGHTS IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

PRESIDING • Richard Brown, University of Connecticut

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Gabriel Loiacono, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

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Shira Lurie, University of Virginia

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Daniel Mandell, Truman State University

COMMENT • Kyle Volk, University of Montana
Richard Brown

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John Ryan Fischer, University of Wisconsin - River
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Jameson R. Sweet, Rutgers University

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Susan Sleeper-Smith, Michigan State University

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Daniel Dupre, University of North Carolina at
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Sharon Ann Murphy, Providence College

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Scott Reynolds Nelson

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Sarah Winsberg, University of Pennsylvania

COMMENT • Scott A. Sandage, Carnegie Mellon University
Jessica Lepler

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HOW DID THE 1780S MAKE AMERICA?**

PRESIDING • Rosemarie Zagarri, George Mason University

PANELISTS • Jane Calvert, University of Kentucky
Sara Georgini, The Adams Papers
Robb K. Haberman, Papers of John Jay, Columbia University
Terrance Evans Rucker, George Washington University

COMMENT • Barbara Oberg, Princeton University

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PRESIDING • Catherine E. Kelly, Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture

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Brooke Bauer, University of South Carolina

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Emily Conroy-Krutz, Michigan State University

COMMENT • Heather Kopelson, University of Alabama
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PRESIDING • Brooke Newman, Virginia Commonwealth University

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Cassandra Good, Marymount University

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Kay Wright-Lewis, Howard University

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Robert Taber, Fayetteville State University

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PRESIDING • Mary Kelley, University of Michigan

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Sari Altschuler, Northeastern University

Stowe, Political Crisis, and Cultural Rupture, 1850-1856

John Brooke, Ohio State University

"Such an Appropriation Becomes Impossible":

Translating the Language of Literary Property in the 1850s

Nora Slonimsky, Iona College

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Nadine Zimmerli, Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture

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Sean Griffin, Lehman College, CUNY

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Natalie Joy, Northern Illinois University

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Evan A. Turiano, The Graduate Center, CUNY

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Matthew Rainbow Hale, Goucher College

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Michelle Sizemore, University of Kentucky

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PANELISTS • John P. Bowes, Eastern Kentucky University
Emilie Connolly, New York University
Andrew Denson, Western Carolina University
John W. Hall, University of Wisconsin-Madison and The Pentagon
Theda Perdue, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Julie L. Reed, University of Tennessee

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CITIZENS**

PRESIDING • Andrew Diemer, Towson University

PANELISTS • Ousmane Power-Greene, Clark University
Samantha Seeley, University of Richmond
Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, University of Michigan
Elizabeth Stordeur Pryor, Smith College

COMMENT • Martha Jones, Johns Hopkins University

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PRESIDING • Leigh Fought, Le Moyne College

“Purposeful Womanhood: Race, Reform, and the Female Seminary in Antebellum New York”

Kabria Baumgartner, University of New Hampshire

*“Parents, Who are the Teachers of Your Children?”:
Abolitionist Schooling and Black Educational Activism*

Crystal Webster, University of Texas, San Antonio

*“Testimony of a Thousand Witnesses:” Abolitionist
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Julia Bernier, University of North Alabama

*“Student Activism, Radical Politics, and the Abolition
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Michael E. Jirik, University of Massachusetts
Amherst

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**41 • AFRICAN COLONIZATION AND MIGRATION:
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Kevin Hooper, University of Oklahoma

Colonizationist Ambitions in the Old Northwest

Samuel Davis, Temple University

*Enslaved Migration to Texas: Native Americans,
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Brooks R. Winfree, University of Texas, Austin

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**42 • ROUNDTABLE: FACING EAST FROM THE (NOT YET)
AMERICAN WEST**

PRESIDING • Craig Thompson Friend, NC State University

PANELISTS • Stephen Aron, UCLA
Anne Farrar Hyde, University of Oklahoma
Erika Pérez, University of Arizona
Michael Witgen, University of Michigan
Virginia Scharff, University of New Mexico

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**43 • ROUNDTABLE: INTEGRATING THE CARIBBEAN INTO
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PRESIDING • Casey Schmitt, McNeil Center for Early American
Studies

PANELISTS • Anne Eller, Yale University
Erica R. Johnson, Francis Marion University
Rob Taber, Fayetteville State University

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**44 • ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO EMBODIED POLITICS
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PRESIDING • Holly M. Kent, University of Illinois Springfield

*The Wild Woman of Cincinnati and the Sex-tional Politics
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Michael D. Pierson, University of Massachusetts
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Embodying the Politics of Race and Sexuality in
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Joshua A. Lynn, Eastern Kentucky University

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*Commerce and Controversy: The Political Ambivalence of
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Kathrinne V.W. Duffy, Brown University

COMMENT • Holly M. Kent

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**45 • A USEFUL REVOLUTION?: TELLING THE REPUBLIC'S
FOUNDING STORY IN ITS MOMENT OF PERIL**

PRESIDING • Seth Cotlar, Willamette University

PANELISTS • Philip Mead, Museum of the American Revolution
Rob Parkinson, Binghamton University
Honor Sachs, University of Colorado
Chernoh Sesay, DePaul University
Serena Zabin, Carleton College

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46 • PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

PRESIDING • Douglas Egerton, Le Moyne College

*Jefferson Matters: Situating an Eighteenth-Century
Founder in Twenty-First-Century America*

Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard University

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**47 • RADICAL ARTS AND SMARTS: BLACK INTELLECTUAL
PRODUCTION IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC**

PRESIDING • Nancy Hewitt, Rutgers University

*Brilliant Contestations: Black Genius in the Early
Republic*

Aston Gonzalez, Salisbury University

*“The Lord gave his hand-maiden power”: The Case for
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*“How fared the girl who came robed in male attire”?
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Johanna Ortner, University of Massachusetts
Amherst

COMMENT • Vanessa Holden, University of Kentucky
Kyle Bulthuis, Utah State University

**48 • RELIGIOUSLY REMEMBERING THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION**

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*A “Mirror” on the Revolution: Religious Schisms and
Revolutionary Legacies*

Tara Strauch, Centre College

*Making the Revolution Jewish: Patriotism and
Citizenship in Early U.S. Synagogues*

Adam Jortner, Auburn University

*“The Cause of their Removal to Pennsylvania”: Anti-
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J.L. Tomlin, University of Tennessee

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COMMENT • Andrew Schocket, Bowling Green State University

**49 • ANTEBELLUM AMERICA IN AN AGE OF ATLANTIC
REVOLUTIONS**

PRESIDING • Ronald Angelo Johnson, Texas State University

*Begun in Greece and Culminated in our American Civil
War: Abolitionism and the Greek Revolution, 1821-1860*

Maureen Connors Santelli, Northern Virginia
Community College

*“The Wreck of European Liberty”: The Nullification Crisis
and the Revolutions of 1830*

Brian Neumann, University of Virginia
*“The Science of Human Rights”: Abolition, Human Rights,
and the Revolutions of 1848*

Bennett Parten, Yale University
*“Who are we? Enemies of slavery”: French Political Exiles
and the American Abolition Movement, 1848-1865*

Michaël Roy, Université Paris Nanterre

COMMENT • Ronald Angelo Johnson

**50 • ARDENT SPIRITS AND OPIUM DREAMS:
UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING SUBSTANCE
ABUSE IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC**

PRESIDING • Kathryn P. Viens, Boston University

Benjamin Rush and the Enlightenment Critique of Habit

Joseph M. Gabriel, Florida State University
*Managing Addiction and Reputation: The Case of Charles
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Lindsay Keiter, Penn State Altoona
*“Baseless slander” or “the strange outpourings of an opium
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Elizabeth Kelly Gray, Towson University

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T. S. Arthur and the Temperance Novel, 1842–1874
Kevin Kaufmann, Loyola University Chicago

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51 • ROUNDTABLE: AT HOME IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC

PRESIDING • Amy G. Richter, Clark University

PANELISTS • Whitney Stewart, University of Texas at Dallas
Mary T. Freeman, University of Maine
Shelby M. Balik, Metropolitan State University of
Denver
Jacqueline Carr, University of Vermont

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**52 • NEW HISTORIES OF MIGRATION AND MOBILITY
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PRESIDING • Michael A. Schoepfner, University of Maine
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Migration Policy in the Colonial Period

Anna O. Law, Brooklyn College

*Immigrant Bonding in the Early Republic and Antebellum
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Brendan P. O'Malley, Newbury College

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Katherine Carper, Boston College

*"Observant of the Laws of this Commonwealth": Race,
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Robert Colby, University of North Carolina Chapel
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**53 • TIES THAT BIND AND THREADS THAT UNRAVEL:
SECTIONALISM, NATIONALISM, AND SECTIONALIZED
NATIONALISM IN THE EARLY REPUBLIC**

PRESIDING • James Broussard, Lebanon Valley College

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Wendy Wong Schirmer, Temple University

*Beyond Federalists and Abolitionists: New England
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Asaf Almog, University of Virginia

*Disunion and the Politics of Business: Secessionist Credit
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Amanda R. Mushal, The Citadel

COMMENT • Peter Wirzbicki, Princeton University
Kanisorn Wongsrichanalai, Massachusetts
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**54 • ANTISLAVERY AMBIVALENCE IN THE EARLY
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PRESIDING • Laura Rosanne Adderley, Tulane University

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Eric Herschthal, Ohio State University

*Friend or Foe? Quakers, Black Abolitionists, and the
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Meagan Wierda, Rutgers University

*The Ambivalent Antislavery of American Evangelical
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Ben Wright, University of Texas at Dallas

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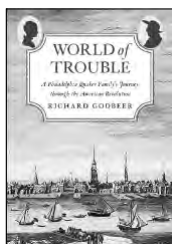
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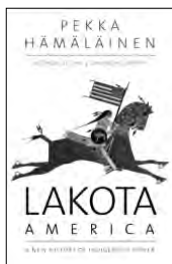
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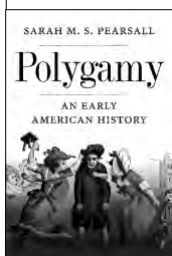
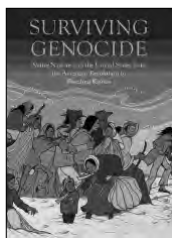
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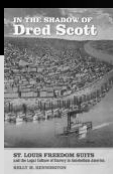
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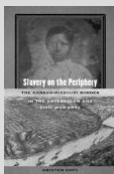


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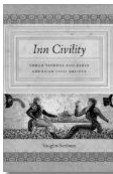
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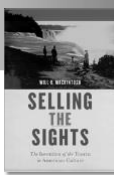
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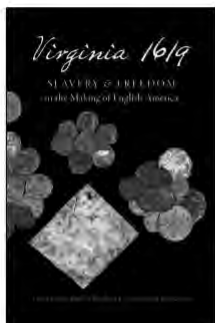
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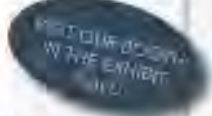
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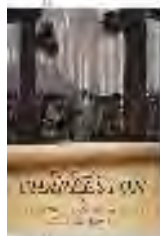
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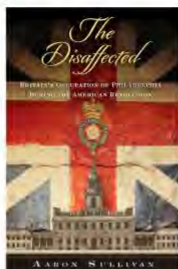
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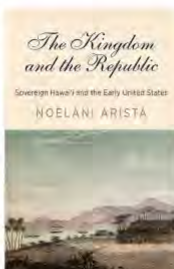
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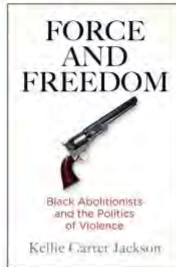
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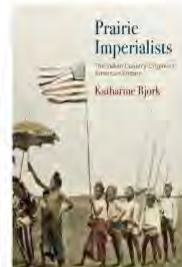
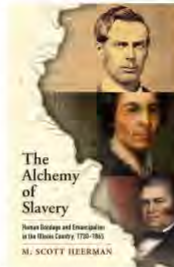
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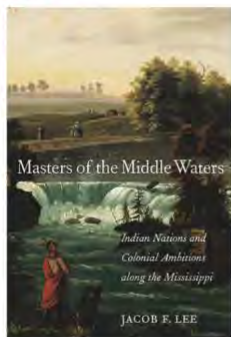
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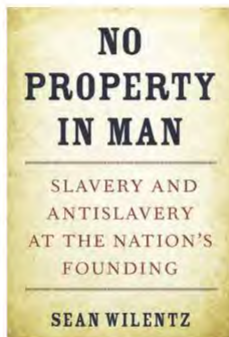
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All submissions should be filed as *one* document (Word doc preferred), labeled with the first initial and surname of the contact person (e.g., “SmithJ2020”). All proposals *must* include

- Panel title and one-paragraph description of panel’s topic
- Email addresses and institutional affiliations for designated contact person *and* each participant
- A title and description in no more than 100 words for each paper
- A single-page *curriculum vitae* for each participant, including chairs and commentators
- Indication of any needs for ADA accommodation or requirement
- Indication of any audio-visual requests (please request *only* if A/V is essential to a presentation)

Deadline for submission is December 1, 2019. Please submit your proposals by email to the program committee co-chairs at 2020shear@gmail.com with “2020SHEAR” in the subject line.

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