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# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

## Thursday, July 16

- 9:00 am-4:00 pm Biography Workshop  
**Location:** Aria A, DoubleTree
- 12:00-3:00 pm SHEAR Advisory Council Meeting  
**Location:** Concerto AB, DoubleTree
- 12:30-4:30 pm Second-Book Writers' Workshop  
**Location:** Maestro AB, DoubleTree
- 3:00-5:00 pm Conference Registration  
**Location:** Atrium Aria, DoubleTree
- 2:00-4:00 pm Ceramics, Silver, and Civics: A Workshop on Teaching with Objects  
Registration required.  
**Location:** Aria B, DoubleTree
- 5:00-6:15 pm President's Plenary "How to Tell the Truth about History in 2026"  
**Location:** Ormandy Ballroom, DoubleTree
- 6:30-8:00 pm Plenary Reception  
**Location:** Carpenters' Hall, 320 Chestnut Street  
*Sponsored by Richard Vague*

## Friday, July 17

- 8:00-9:00 am Perk Up with the *JER* Editors  
Graduate students and early career scholars are invited to meet for coffee and informal conversation.  
**Location:** Ormandy West, DoubleTree
- 8:30-10:30 am Morning Coffee Break  
**Location:** Symphony Ballroom, DoubleTree  
*Sponsored by the New England Quarterly*
- 8:30 am-4:00 pm Conference Registration  
**Location:** Atrium Aria, DoubleTree

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

## Friday, July 17 (Continued)

8:30 am-5:00 pm Book Exhibit

**Location:** Overture, DoubleTree

9:00 am-12:45 pm Sessions

**Location:** See session schedule

10:30am-12:30 pm Coffee Break

**Location:** Aria A, DoubleTree

*Sponsored by the McNeil Center for Early American Studies*

12:45-2:15 pm

*JER* Editorial Board Meeting

**Location:** Assembly C, DoubleTree

*Co-sponsored by Western Washington University College of Humanities and Social Sciences and the History*

*Department and the Ella Wall Prichard Fund for Early Black Baptist History at Baylor University*

1:00-2:00 pm

Spotlight Session: Ten Things to Know About the American Revolution

This lunch session will feature ten speakers each addressing features of the American Revolution that they hope or wish everyone would know. FREE. Registration required.

**Location:** TBD

1:00-2:00 pm

Graduate Student Lunch

Each table will bring together one of the Library Company's program directors and students with shared interests, offering a chance to discuss research in an informal setting. FREE. Registration required.

**Location:** Cassatt House,  
1320 Locust Street

*Sponsored by the Library Company of Philadelphia's academic programs*

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

**Friday, July 17**

**(Continued)**

2:00-4:30 pm

Afternoon Coffee Break

**Location:** Symphony Ballroom,  
DoubleTree

*Sponsored by The American Revolution  
Institute at The Society of the Cincinnati*

2:15-6:00 pm

Sessions

**Location:** See session schedule

6:00-7:00 pm

Early Career Mentorship Reception

Open to those participating in the  
mentorship program or interested in  
participating in the future.

**Location:** Balcony, DoubleTree

*Sponsored by the Institute for Thomas  
Paine Studies at Iona University*

6:30-9:00 pm

Philadelphia Tavern Tour

Led by Ted Sisco of Grim Philly Tours.  
\$25 per person, drinks not included.  
Registration required.

**Starting Location:** A Man Full of  
Trouble (127 Spruce St)

**Saturday, July 18**

8:00-9:00 am

SHEAR Community Building

Committee Walk-and-Talk

All are welcome to attend.

**Location:** Meet at Alchemy Coffee  
(2300 Market Street) then the  
Schuylkill River Trail (starting from  
Market Street entrance)

8:30-11:00 am

Morning Coffee Break

**Location:** Symphony Ballroom,  
DoubleTree

*Sponsored by the Draper Endowment,  
University of Connecticut History  
Department*

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

## Saturday, July 18 (Continued)

- 8:30 am-4:00 pm Conference Registration  
**Location:** Atrium Aria, DoubleTree
- 8:30 am-5:00 pm Book Exhibit  
**Location:** Overture, DoubleTree
- 9:00 am-12:45 pm Sessions  
**Location:** See session schedule
- 10:00 am-12 pm Historic Old City Walking Tour  
Guided by Mitchell Kramer, performing as Ben Franklin. \$25 per person. Registration required.  
**Starting Location:** Inside the Sixth and Market Street entrance of the Independence Visitor Center
- 1:00-2:00 pm Boydston Gender and Sexuality Networking Lunch  
In honor of Jeanne Boydston's legacy of inclusivity, all scholars of gender and sexuality – and those who wish to talk with them – can attend this lunch. This space of collegial fellowship is open to all. Tickets \$35. Registration required.  
**Location:** Symphony Ballroom, DoubleTree  
*Sponsored by the Omohundro Institute*
- 1:00-2:00 pm 2027 Program Committee Meeting  
**Location:** TBD
- 2:00-4:00 pm Afternoon Coffee Break  
**Location:** Symphony Ballroom, DoubleTree  
*Co-sponsored by the University of Delaware's Museum Studies Program*

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

## Saturday, July 18 (Continued)

- 2:15 pm-4:00 pm      Sessions  
**Location:** See session schedule
- 2:15 pm-4:00 pm      Speed Mentoring Session  
This session will match up participants for a series of 10-15 minute “speed mentoring” conversations. Participants must register in advance [here](#).  
**Location:** Minuet, DoubleTree
- 4:30-6:00 pm      *JER* Roundtable: What was the economy like?  
**Location:** American Philosophical Society, 427 Chestnut Street
- 6:15-7:30 pm      Presidential Address & SHEAR Prizes  
SHEAR President Carolyn Eastman will discuss “What They Talked About When They Talked About Demagogues in the Early American Republic.” The SHEAR awards ceremony will immediately follow the Presidential Address.  
**Location:** American Philosophical Society, 427 Chestnut Street
- 7:30-9:00 pm      Awards Reception  
**Location:** Athenaeum of Philadelphia, 219 S. 6th Street  
*Co-sponsored by the Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies at Monticello, the George Washington Presidential Library at Mount Vernon, and the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia, and the Virginia Commonwealth University College of Humanities and Sciences*

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AND LOCATIONS

## Sunday, July 19

- 7:45-8:45 am SHEAR Business Meeting - open to all  
**Location:** Symphony Ballroom, DoubleTree
- 8:45-11:00 am Morning Coffee Break  
**Location:** Symphony Ballroom, DoubleTree  
*Sponsored by the George and Ann Richards Civil War Era Center at Penn State University*
- 8:30-10:30 am Conference Registration  
**Location:** Atrium Aria, DoubleTree
- 8:30-11:00 am Book Exhibit  
**Location:** Overture, DoubleTree
- 9:00 am-12:45 pm Sessions  
**Location:** See session schedule

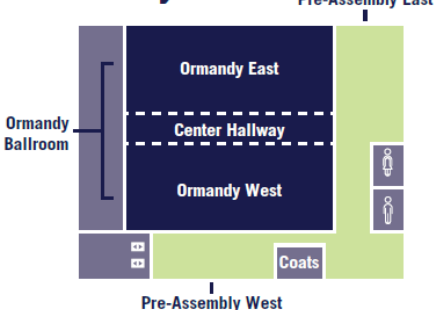
The Society for Historians of the Early American Republic is committed to fostering a democratic ethos in scholarship and cultivating close, respectful, and productive exchanges between scholars at every level of experience and recognition. If you experience or witness an adverse event, please submit an incident description using the online form accessible from the QR code.

You may choose to include your name or report anonymously.



# DOUBLETREE CENTER CITY HOTEL MAPS

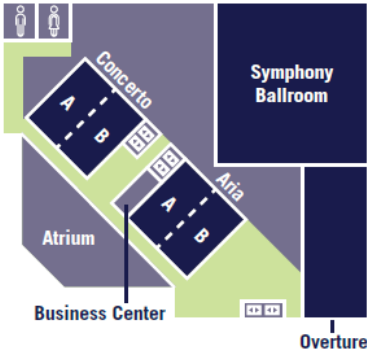
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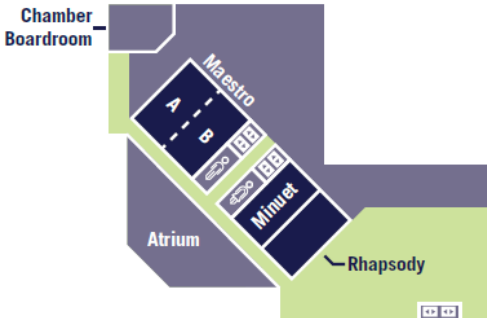
## Mezzanine Level



## Third Level



## Fourth Level



## PRESIDENT'S WELCOME



What a pleasure it is to welcome you to Philadelphia for SHEAR's annual conference during a historic year. We've had a record number of members this year throw their energy into making the conference and the organization stronger, and it shows in this extraordinary program. Most of all: thank you for coming and for your ongoing support of SHEAR.

Our conference comes about because a wide range of people contribute to building it. Foremost among them is Erika Huckestein, a professor at Widener University, who's now completing her third year as our national conference coordinator. Few among us can juggle so many balls as brilliantly as Erika. We're exceptionally lucky to have her, so when you see her, please offer your personal thanks. Second only to Erika in ball-juggling talent is our executive coordinator, Martha Howard. Martha, together with Sara Cook, Brittany Crose, and Laurel See, has worked tirelessly this year to manage our finances, communication, recordkeeping, website updates, and many other behind-the-scenes aspects that make SHEAR work effectively and efficiently.

As you thumb through these pages, you'll find that this year's program committee has put together an exceptional lineup of events. How can I even begin to thank co-chairs Mark Boonshoft, Nora Slonimsky, and Ben Wright? You'll see that they've worked with their committee members to produce a

program that exemplifies the broad range of scholarship in our field. They have also found ways to include events that will help us think—during this anniversary year—about how studying the early American republic can help us reflect on the present. Many thanks to the full committee as well: Rosanne Adderley, Frankie Bauer, Patricia Dawson, Lauren Duval, Nathaniel Green, Khalil Anthony Johnson, Amy Kohout, Maria Montalvo, Peter Olsen-Harbich, Christy Pottroff, Terrance Rucker, Kevin Waite, Rachel Walker, and Sarah Winsberg.

Zara Anishanslin and Christina Snyder brought vast experience to the job of chairing the local arrangements committee, and it shows. They've found ways for us to enjoy some of Philadelphia's many historic sites and spaces, including Carpenter's Hall (for the Thursday reception), the Library Company (for the grad student lunches), the American Philosophical Society (for the Saturday awards ceremony), and the Philadelphia Athenaeum (for the Saturday reception), and tours of the city's historic taverns and Philadelphia historic old city. Their entire team—Michael Blaakman, Andrew Davenport, Beth Hessel, Brenna Holland, Martha King, Thomas Lannon, Matthew Mulcahy, Michael Norris, Peter Olson-Harbich, Sarah Pearsall, and Nora Slonimsky—deserves our deepest gratitude.

This year's conference kicks off on Thursday evening with the presidential plenary on the topic of "How to Tell the Truth about History in 2026," featuring scholars and public historians who have found ways to continue doing their work while encountering censorship in various forms. Inspired in part by the removal of informational signs about slavery from Philadelphia's President's House, this session gives us a chance to think together about how we can continue to ask good questions and develop evidence-driven interpretations of the past while facing new challenges.

I'm loath to single out any given panel on the program, but Emma Hart of the McNeil Center for Early American Studies and I have worked hard this year to find a way to bring our two institutions together to support the work of young scholars. With the unflagging support of Sarah Barringer Gordon, we've created the MCEAS–SHEAR Emerging Scholars Spotlight, a panel taking place on Friday morning with four exceptional papers thinking in new ways about the history of childhood and young adulthood in early America. I send my personal thanks to Emma and Sally for their thoughtfulness and generosity in bringing this new collaboration to the conference.

One of the highlights of last year's conference was Ten Things to Know about the American Revolution—a Friday lunchtime event that was so popular that we're doing it again this year with a new lineup of Things to Know. Nora Slonimsky and Karin Wulf have put this together again, provided the funding, and have invited K-12 teachers from the area.

The Early Career Mentorship Program was the brainchild of Emily Arendt and Jacqueline Beatty, and together with Nora Slonimsky they have paired mentors and mentees for years now in ways that benefit everyone. The Program's annual reception takes place Friday evening and offers the chance for you to express interest, meet other early career colleagues, and become more involved with SHEAR. An additional highlight is the new Speed Mentoring session organized by Sarah Winsberg that takes place on Saturday afternoon and offers short, 10- to 15-minute conversations.

The Jeanne Boydston Lunch on Saturday seeks to bring together all of us with interests in the histories of women, gender, and sexuality for the same delightful conversations we have had over breakfast for some twenty years—except (we hope) at an hour that might be more conducive to

attendance. This multi-generational gathering inspires me every year with gratitude to my own mentors as well as hope for the future of our field.

Saturday is always a big day at the conference, ending with three back-to-back events: the JER Roundtable (this year on the subject of the economy during the early republic), the awards ceremony and presidential address (this year on Americans' views of demagogues in the new nation, featuring special attention to deliciously biting satirical writing on demagogues), and the evening reception. These take place at the American Philosophical Society and (for the reception) the Athenaeum of Philadelphia, two beautiful and highly significant institutions in the city's historic old city.

I hope these lines help you get a glimpse of what an exciting time it is to be a part of our field. Working this year with Immediate Past President Manisha Sinha, President-Elect Andy Shankman, Treasurer Jonathan Earle, and well over one hundred SHEAR volunteers—including the exceptional members of the Advisory Council, Nominating Committee, DEI Committee, Finance and Investment Committee, the remarkable team at the Journal of the Early Republic, the Membership Building Committee, the Fundraising and Development Committee, and the book, article, and dissertation prize committees—has shown me again what a remarkable community we enjoy in this organization. I've benefited from the advice and engagement of new and old friends alike as we continue to seek ways for SHEAR to thrive despite the many challenges that all of us face as humanists, teachers, public historians, museum and nonprofit professionals, and citizens. I look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia!

Carolyn Eastman  
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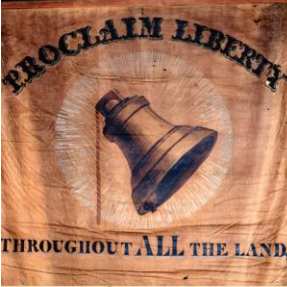
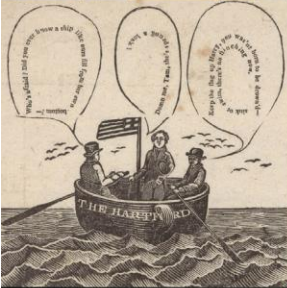
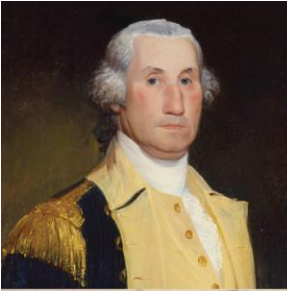
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SHEAR's mission is to foster the study of the early republican period among professional historians, students, and the general public. It upholds the highest intellectual standards of the historical profession and encourages the broad diffusion of 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.

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 later than that of 1 May

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Art. 10. The members of each House shall receive a compensation for their  
 services, to be ascertained and fixed by the State, in which they shall be  
 chosen.

Art. 11. The executive stile of the laws of the United States shall be, "Be  
 it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the House of Representatives, and by  
 the Senate of the United States, in Congress assembled."

Art. 12. Each House shall possess the right of originating bills, except in  
 the cases hereinafter mentioned.

Art. 13. Every bill, which shall have passed the House of Representatives and  
 the Senate, shall, before it become a law, be presented to the President of the  
 United States, for his revision: If, upon such revision, he approve of it, he shall  
 signify his approbation by signing it: But if, upon such revision, it shall appear  
 to him improper for being passed into a law, he shall return it, together with his  
 objections against it, to that House in which it shall have originated, who shall  
 enter the objections at large on their Journals, and proceed to reconsider the bill.  
 But if, after such reconsideration, two thirds of that House shall, notwithstanding  
 the objections of the President, agree to pass it, it shall, together with his  
 objections, be sent to the other House, by which it shall likewise be reconsidered,  
 and, if approved by two thirds of the other House also, it shall become a  
 law. But, in all such cases, the votes of both Houses shall be determined by  
 Yea and Nay; and the names of the persons voting for or against the bill  
 shall be entered in the Journal of each House respectively. If any bill shall not  
 be returned by the President within seven days after it shall have been pre-  
 sented to him, it shall be a law, unless the Legislature, by their adjournment,  
 prevent its return; in which case it shall not be a law.

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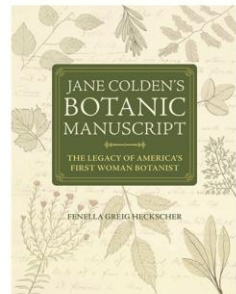
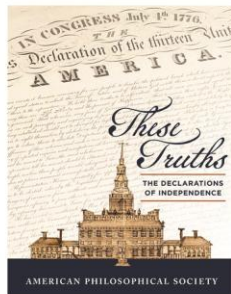
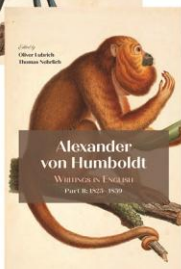
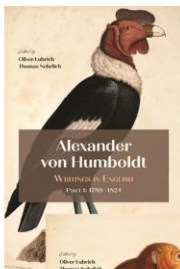
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SHEAR presents the following awards immediately after the Presidential Address on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>.

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

The SHEAR Robyn Lily Davis Dissertation Prize is presented in cooperation with the University of Virginia Press to an exceptional unpublished dissertation pertaining to the history of North America from 1776 to 1861.

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 era of the Early Republic.

The SHEAR Book Prize is awarded to the book that makes the best primary scholarly contribution to the history of the early American republic.

The SHEAR Distinguished Service award recognizes generous and enduring service on behalf of the goals and programs of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic. It recognizes the kind of commitment without which voluntary organizations such as SHEAR could not thrive. Since it was established in 2014, the award has been presented eleven times.

Citations of award recipients are at <https://shear.org/shear-book-prizes/prize-winners/>.

# WELCOME TO PHILADELPHIA

The Local Arrangements Committee has organized formal tours for conference participants, but they would also like to share their suggestions for eating, drinking, and sightseeing in Philadelphia!

Zara Anishanslin, Local Arrangements Co-Chair  
Christina Snyder, Local Arrangements Co-Chair

## **Recommendations from some of your 2026 Local Arrangements Committee Members:**

### **Food.**

Coffee shops and bakeries:

- La Colombe location near the President’s House site, Market and 16th (Michael Blaakman)
- Seaforest Bakeshop, Bainbridge and 16th ((Michael Blaakman)
- Sabrina’s Cafe, multiple locations (Andrew Davenport)
- The Love, 130 S 18th St (Andrew Davenport)

Brunch:

- The Dutch, 11th and Tasker in Passyunk (Michael Blaakman)
- Talula’s Garden—American contemporary, 210 W. Washington Square (Martha King)

Lunch:

- Frieda Café—artsy, simple, fresh food option good for lunch near Independence Hall and MoAR, 320 Walnut (Martha King)
- Goldie, multiple locations (Christina Snyder)
- Philly Cheesesteaks (Martha King):
  - Sonny's Famous Steaks at 228 Market
  - Campos Philly Cheesesteaks, 214 Market

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## Dinner and Drinks:

- a.kitchen+bar, 18th and Walnut (Michael Blaakman)
- Dandelion, 18th and Samson (Michael Blaakman, and Nora Slonimsky)
- Almyra—Greek, 1636 Chancellor St (Andrew Davenport)
- Talula’s Garden—American contemporary, 210 W. Washington Square (Martha King)
- Fork, 306 Market St. (Martha King)
- El Vez, 121 S 13th St (Nora Slonimsky)
- Little Nonna’s, 1234 Locust St (Nora Slonimsky)
- Food with a great vibe (Matthew Mulcahy):
  - Bolo, Rittenhouse Square area
  - La Jefa Cafe, Rittenhouse Square area
- Cherry Street Tavern—great roast beef sandwiches, 129 N 22nd St (Andrew Davenport)
- Charlie Was a Sinner, 131 S 13th St (Nora Slonimsky)
- Happy Rooster, 118 S 16th St (Andrew Davenport)
- Graffiti Bar—and the wine bar across the street from it, 124 S 13th St (Nora Slonimsky)
- Andra Hem, 218 S 16th St (Christina Snyder)
- Swanky cocktails near the conference hotel (Zara Anishanslin)
  - The Ritz Hotel, 10 Ave of the Arts
  - Loch Bar, 301 S Broad St
- Sing your heart out (Zara Anishanslin)
  - Tavern on Camac’s Piano Bar, 243 S Camac St
- Dive Bar (Michael Blaakman)
  - Good Good Things, 21st between Chestnut and Market

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## **Touring Around.**

Historic sites:

- Non-early American historic site near the conference hotel (Zara Anishanslin):
  - Marian Anderson Historical Residence & Museum
- Must see early American site NOT near the conference hotel (Zara Anishanslin):
  - Stenton House (and its Dinah Memorial)

Activities and excursions:

- Catch the Mets at Citizens Bank Park! (July 16, 18, 19) (Michael Blaakman)
- Favorite places to visit if you are willing to venture out of downtown area: Bartram's Garden or Morris Arboretum (Martha King)



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THURSDAY, JULY 16 5:00–6:15 PM

**1. President's Plenary: How to Tell the Truth about History in 2026**

Location: Ormandy Ballroom, DoubleTree

Welcome:

Carolyn Eastman, Virginia Commonwealth University  
Mark Boonshoft, Virginia Military Institute  
Nora Slonimsky, Iona University/Institute for  
Thomas Paine Studies  
Ben Wright, University of Texas at Dallas

Chair: Carolyn Eastman, Virginia Commonwealth University

Panelists:

Sarah Jones Weicksel, American Historical  
Association  
Benjamin Park, Sam Houston State University  
Kirsten Wood, Florida International University  
Christy Coleman, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 9:00–10:45 AM

**2. Roundtable: The American Revolution Around the World**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Matthew Skic, Museum of the American Revolution

Panelists:

Zara Anishanslin, University of Delaware  
Richard Bell, University of Maryland  
Tom Cutterham, University of Birmingham  
Sarah Pearsall, Johns Hopkins University

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 9:00–10:45 AM

**3. Roundtable: [Intellectual] Properties of Revolution: Patents, Copyrights, and Trademarks in Early America**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: TBD

Panelists:

Kara Swanson, Northeastern University

Kali Murray, Marquette University

Zvi Rosen, University of New Hampshire

Comment: Audience

**4. Building Early American Carcerality: Governance, Discipline, and the Everyday Making of Confinement**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Jen Manion, Amherst College

*“Bread! Bread! Bread!”: Food, punishment, and survival in early republic carceral institutions*

Kristin O’Brassill-Kulfan, Rutgers University

*“Confined for Offenses against the Government”: Boston’s Jail in the Early Republic*

Nicole Breault, University of Texas at El Paso

*Women, Girls, and Carcerality in the New York House of Refuge, 1825-31*

Sarabeth Rambold, University of Rochester

*“Idleness is Unknown in The Refuge...” The Lives and Labors of Philadelphia’s Incarcerated Children*

Cameron Sauers, Pennsylvania State University

Comment: Jen Manion, Amherst College

FRIDAY, JULY 17 9:00–10:45 AM

**5. Slavery and the American Revolution at 250:  
Situating Three New Books in the State of the  
Field**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Christopher Leslie Brown, Columbia University

*Entangled Alliances: Racialized Freedom and Atlantic  
Diplomacy during the American Revolution*

Ronald Angelo Johnson, Baylor University

*Seeking the High Ground: Slavery and Political Conflict in  
the British Atlantic World*

Matthew Mason, Brigham Young University

*Let the Oppressed Go Free: Abolitionism in Colonial and  
Revolutionary America*

Nicholas P. Wood, Spring Hill College

Comment: Sarah Gronningsater, University of Pennsylvania  
and David Waldstreicher, CUNY Graduate Center

**6. Roundtable: What Does Service Look Like?**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Andrew M. Schocket, Bowling Green State University

Panelists:

Grace Argo, Brown University

Rosalind Beiler, University of Central Florida

Sara Georgini, Massachusetts Historical Society

Jeffers Lennox, Wesleyan University

Wendy H. Wong, Temple University

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 9:00–10:45 AM

**7. Slavery and Governance Beyond the Plantation South**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Marcus P. Nevius, University of Missouri

*Landscapes of Unfreedom: Enslaved Labor, Colonial Capitalism, and the Building of the Rhode Island Interior, 1700–1784*

Jerrad Pacatte, Harvard University

*Public Safety, Public Slavery: Episodes from the Eighteenth-Century Urban North*

Cory James Young, University of Iowa

*Freedom on the Hoof: The Untold Journeys of Enslaved Shepherds*

Christy Hyman, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Comment: Ryan A. Quintana, Wellesley College

FRIDAY, JULY 17 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**8. Roundtable: Teaching the Revolution in Troubling Times**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Jonathan Wilson, Wardlaw-Hartridge School

Panelists:

VanJessica Gladney, University of Massachusetts-Boston

Philip Engle, Alexandria City High School

Cassandra A. Good, Marymount University

Kevin Vrevich, Moses Brown School

Rosemarie Zagarri, George Mason University

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**9. The MCEAS-SHEAR Emerging Scholars Spotlight:  
Childhood in Early America**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Emma Hart, McNeil Center for Early American  
Studies

*A Conversation with a Woodpecker: Indigenous Children  
and Slavery in Early Virginia*

Hayley Negrin, University of Illinois Chicago

*“Goodbye dearest sister I am your daughter”: Familial  
Networks and Girlhood in the Early American South*

Emily Wells, College of William and Mary

*Intergenerational Support and the Domestic Slave Trade, a  
Case Study: Chief Justice John Marshall and his Family*

Katie Drash Mapes, Virginia Commonwealth  
University

*Lessons in National Belonging: Black Schoolgirls’ Quaker  
Education in Early Pennsylvania*

Sarah Brokenborough, Tulane University, SHEAR  
DEI Fellow

Comment: Corinne Field, University of Virginia

**10. Asia and the Early Republic: Gender on the  
Global Stage**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Don James McLaughlin, University of Tulsa

*The Harem, The Sati, and the Golden Lily: The Fetishization  
of the East in the Early Republic*

Jacqueline Beatty, York College of Pennsylvania

*Queer Subjectivity and Power in Bartholomew Burges’ A  
Series of Indostan Letters (1790)*

Rajender Kaur, William Paterson University

FRIDAY, JULY 17 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

*“To Recall the Ancient Philosophy of the Hindoos”:  
Transcendentalist Women’s Encounters with Hinduism and  
Buddhism*

Lucia McMahon, William Paterson University

*A Rehearsal for Empire: Early American Encounters in  
Asia and the Transpacific Region*

Kariann Akemi Yokota, University of Colorado,  
Denver

Comment: Emily Conroy-Krutz, Michigan State University

**11. Roundtable: Think Nationally, Act Locally: Public  
Commemorations of the 250th Anniversary of  
the American Revolution**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: John Marks, American Association of State and Local  
History

*Scholarly Editing for a General Audience: A New Online  
Exhibit on Drafting the Declaration of Independence*

Christina R. Carrick, Papers of Thomas Jefferson,  
Princeton University

*Semiquincentennial in Flyover Country...and the Mission of  
a University*

Konstantin Dierks, Indiana University

*Brave Little State: 250 Years of Vermonters’ Keepin’ It  
Independent*

Alexandra Garrett, Saint Michael’s College

*George Washington Didn’t Sleep Here: Commemorating the  
250th Anniversary of the American Revolution in the Pacific  
Northwest*

Lawrence B. A. Hatter, Washington State University

Comment: Cheney J. Schopieray, William L. Clements  
Library, University of Michigan

FRIDAY, JULY 17 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**12. The Revolution Beyond the Republic**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Nadine Zimmerli, University of Virginia Press

*Stars, Stripes, and the Southern Cross: The American Revolution and Australia*

Daniel Carrigy, Avondale University

*Oceans from Independence: John Perkins Cushing, Boston's Opium Empire, and Masculinity in the Early Republic*

Gwenn A. Miller, College of the Holy Cross

*"To Wilkes & All True Patriots": The Britishness of American Patriot Material Culture, 1765-1781*

J. Patrick Mullins, Marquette University

*A Foreigner's View of the Constitutional Convention – Reverend Nicholas Collin of Philadelphia*

Michael H. Taylor, Northeast Community College

Comment: Audience

**13. Roundtable: Family Histories of Early America**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Lorri Glover, St. Louis University

Panelists:

Carla Cevasco, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

Lauren Feldman, Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy, University of Missouri

Kate Haulman, American University

Adam McNeil, University of Notre Dame

Karin Wulf, John Carter Brown Library, Brown University

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 2:15 –4:00 PM

**14. Confronting the Many Crises in Higher Education Today: A Roundtable on Academic Organizing**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Emilie Connolly, Brandeis University

Panelists:

Ian Gavigan, Higher Ed Labor United

Amy C. Offner, University of Pennsylvania

Sam Schirvar, University of Pennsylvania

Ahmad Shokr, Swarthmore College

Naomi R. Williams, Rutgers's School of Management and Social Relations

Comment: Audience

**15. Geographies of Power, Terrains of Fugitivity**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Elaine LaFay, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

*Freedom is Contagious: A Meditation on Mobility, Carcerality, and Gender in Slavery*

Bea Pearson, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

*“Absolute Authority”: Configurations of Power in South Carolina’s Laws of Slavery*

Isaac Guzmán, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

*Afro-Indigenous Cripscapes: A Meditation on Disability, Mobility, Violence, and Space in Indian Territory*

Keziah Anderson, Harvard University

*The Sound Engineers: The Inaudible Institution, Sonic Concealment and Enslaved Resistance in the Antebellum South*

Maverick Huneycutt, University of South Carolina

Comment: Elaine LaFay, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

FRIDAY, JULY 17 2:15 –4:00 PM

**16. Roundtable: Historians on Camera: Interpreting the Revolution through Documentary Film**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Jim Ambuske, More Perfect

Panelists:

Kathleen DuVal, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Jennifer Tucker, Wesleyan University

Daniel Preston, Papers of James Monroe, University of Mary Washington (retired)

Comment: Audience

**17. Roundtable: New Approaches to Diplomatic History**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Todd Estes, Oakland University

Panelists:

Aaron Gibbs, University of New Hampshire

Sarah Crabtree, San Francisco State University

Nicholas DiPucchio, Oakland University

Ethan Gonzales, University of Virginia

Katrina Ponti, U.S. Naval War College

Comment: Audience

**18. Teaching the American Revolution**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Margot Minardi, Reed College

*Mapping the American Revolution*

Molly Nebiolo, Butler University

*Teaching the American Revolution with Almanacs*

Matthew J. Sparacio, Georgia State University

FRIDAY, JULY 17 2:15 –4:00 PM

*Teaching the American Revolution in the UK*  
Meg Roberts, University of Edinburgh

*Teaching the American Revolution as a Methods Course*  
Heesoo Cho, Davidson College

Comment: Margot Minardi, Reed College

**19. Roundtable: Reconsidering “Rhetoric and Reality” in the American Revolution at 250**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Serena Zabin, Carleton College

Panelists:

Katlyn Carter, University of Notre Dame  
Andrew Edwards, St. Andrews University  
Jordan Taylor, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation  
Ezra Garow, Binghamton University

Comment: Audience

FRIDAY, JULY 17 4:15 – 6:00 PM

**20. Transgender Histories in Early America**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Travis Foster, Villanova University

*The “Inner Light” of Gender*  
Eagan Dean, The College of Wooster

*Teaching Early Trans Histories*  
Scott Larson, University of Michigan

*Upstate New York’s post-Revolutionary War (trans)gender troubles*

Renée Szematowicz, Binghamton University (SUNY)

Comment: Travis Foster, Villanova University

FRIDAY, JULY 17 4:15 – 6:00 PM

**21. Roundtable: Roundtable: The Early Republic and Contemporary US Politics**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Elizabeth Ellis, Princeton University

Panelists:

Jamelle Bouie, The New York Times

Joanne Freeman, Yale University

Jeff Ostler, University of Oregon

Alaina Roberts, University of Pittsburgh

Anna O. Law, CUNY Brooklyn College

Comment: Audience

**22. Seeking Freedom in the Early Republic**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Scott Heerman, Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture, College of William & Mary

*Beyond the Moment of Freedom: The Afterlives of Slavery in Eighteenth-Century New England*

Liz Matelski, Endicott College

*Unfinished Genealogies: Freedom Seekers in the Household of Thomas Stone, Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Maryland*

Amy Speckart, Rare Book School at the University of Virginia

*Manumitting Family Members in Pennsylvania*

Anna Suranyi, Endicott College

Comment: Scott Heerman, Omohundro Institute of Early American History & Culture, College of William & Mary

FRIDAY, JULY 17 4:15 – 6:00 PM

**23. Murderous Mothers and Moral Panic in the Early American Republic**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Ami Pflugrad-Jackisch, University of Toledo

*“A Fiend in the Human Form”*: *Murderous Mothers and the Threat to the Early Republic*

Tina Kibbe, Lamar University

*Child Homicides in the Early Republic*

Randolph Roth, Ohio State University

*From Fujian to the Front Page: The Transformation of David Abeel’s Infanticide Report in 19th-Century American Discourse*

Brian A. Tomczek, University of Delaware

Comment: Ami Pflugrad-Jackisch, University of Toledo

**24. Shifts and Ruptures in 1850s Politics**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Rachel Shelden, Pennsylvania State University

*Constitutional Unionism and British Imperial Sabotage: American Anti-Slavery Politics and the Irish-American Press*

Robert O’Sullivan, University of Notre Dame

*The Next “Great Compromiser”?: Nativism, Slavery, and the Reinvention of John J. Crittenden*

Jesse George-Nichol, California State University, Northridge

*Theodore Parker, the Know Nothings, and Antislavery Organization in Antebellum Massachusetts*

Benjamin E. Park, Sam Houston State University

Comment: Rachel Shelden, Pennsylvania State University

FRIDAY, JULY 17 4:15 – 6:00 PM

**25. States of Emergency: Time, Law, Governance,  
and Necessity in the American Revolutionary  
War**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Paul A. Gilje, University of Oklahoma, Emeritus

*Communicating Emergency Time and Emergency Powers  
in the Revolutionary Era*

Helena Yoo-Roth, McNeil Center for Early American  
Studies, University of Pennsylvania

*Warring Republics Congress, the States, and Emergency  
Powers, 1776-1783*

Grace Mallon, University of Oxford

*To Kill the Sons of Brutus: The Political Thought of Treason  
in the American Revolution*

Sveinn Jóhannesson, University of Iceland

*Revolutionary Confiscation and the Rise of Legitimate  
Opposition*

Daniel Hulsebosch, New York University

Comment: Gautham Rao, American University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 9:00 – 10:45 AM

**26. JER Session: New Approaches to Freedom of  
Religion in the Early Republic**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Tisa Wenger, Yale University

*Culture and Religious Freedom in the Early Republic*

Chris Beneke, Bentley University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 9:00 –10:45 AM

*Should “History and Tradition” Be Used for Contemporary Church-State Jurisprudence? Principles, Practices, and Religious Freedom in the Early Republic*

Vincent Phillip Muñoz, University of Notre Dame and  
John Luke Hoonhout, University of Notre Dame

*Property and Religious Freedom: A New Approach*  
Alyssa Penick, Yale Law School

*Go Not Forth: Freedom of Religious Exit and the Failure of Denominationalism in Antebellum America*

S. Spencer Wells, Southern Utah University

Comment: Tisa Wenger, Yale University

**27. Roundtable: New Perspectives on the Era of Gradual Abolition in the Northeast**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Leslie M. Harris, Northwestern University

*“A Proving Dispensation”: The Revolutionary War and Antislavery in New Jersey*

Jonathan D. Sassi, College of Staten Island and CUNY  
Graduate Center

*Abolition’s Constitution: Massachusetts and the Law of Antislavery in the Early Republic*

Grant Stanton, Drew University

*Encumbered Liberty*

Kathleen M. Brown, University of Pennsylvania

*“I came among you to plead the cause of enslaved millions and to teach the rights and duties of American citizenship”:  
Frederick Douglass’s Reconstruction of Rochester and the Meaning of the First Emancipation*

Richard Newman, Rochester Institute of Technology

Comment: Audience

SATURDAY, JULY 18 9:00 –10:45 AM

**28. Roundtable: Empire, Enslavement, and  
Emancipation in the Middle Mississippi  
Valley, 1760 – 1860**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Robert Lee, Cambridge University

Panelists:

Vivien Tejada, University of California, Los Angeles

Robert Lee, Cambridge University

John Craig Hammond, Penn State New Kensington

Anne Twitty, Stanford University

Comment: Audience

**29. Indigenous Sovereignty: Revisiting,  
Rearticulating, and Reapplying Exercises of  
Survival and Strength**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Samuel Davis, Texas Christian University

*Communicating Indigenous Sovereignty in the  
Revolutionary Atlantic*

Lori Daggar, Ursinus College

*Secessionist Indian Agents & the Importance of Indigenous  
Diplomacy at the Start of the Civil War*

Alexandra Stern, City College of New York, CUNY

*Documenting the Rappahannock Tribe's "Silent Years":  
Oral Tradition and Reciprocal History as Tools of  
Indigenous Sovereignty*

Edward Ragan, Bossier Parish Community College &  
Rappahannock Tribal Historic Preservation Office,  
SHEAR DEI Fellow

Comment: Samuel Davis, Texas Christian University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 9:00 –10:45 AM

**30. Symbols of Belonging: Architecture, Memory,  
and Portraiture in Early America**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Rebecca Brannon, James Madison University

*Christlieb Bartling (1746-1828) and American Settler Place-Making*

Terri A. Castaneda, University of California  
Sacramento

*The Rise and Fall of Smiling in Early American Portraits*

Sarah Hand Meacham, Virginia Commonwealth  
University

*Costuming the Revolution*

Chloe Chapin, Harvard University

Comment: Rebecca Brannon, James Madison University

**31. Roundtable: Sparked or Burned by Burns?  
Scholars Respond to The American Revolution  
on PBS**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Liz Covart, *Ben Franklin's World*

Panelists:

Antwain Hunter, University of North Carolina, Chapel  
Hill

Brenna O'Rourke Holland, American Philosophical  
Society

Blake McGready, CUNY Graduate Center

Jeffrey L. Pasley, University of Missouri

Honor Sachs, University of Colorado

Comment: Audience

SATURDAY, JULY 18 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**32. Roundtable: Honoring James Brewer Stewart**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: W. Caleb McDaniel, Rice University

Panelists:

Westenley Alcenat, Scripps College

Elizabeth Swanson, Babson College

Donald Yacovone, Harvard University

Kyera Singleton, Tufts University

Comment: Audience

**33. Memory, Mourning, and Meaning in  
Revolutionary America**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Eric Schlereth, University of Texas at Dallas

*The Second Battle of Bunker Hill: Protestant and Catholic  
Devotions for the Dead in the Fight to Commemorate a  
Revolutionary War Battlefield*

Jamie Brummitt, University of North Carolina,  
Wilmington

*Erasing Defeat: Patrick Henry and the Memory of the Anti-  
Federalists*

Eileen Ka-May Cheng, Sarah Lawrence College

*From Ideology to Culture: The “Extended Polity” and the  
Struggle for Memory in Twenty-First-Century American  
Revolutionary Historiography*

Cho Chien Feng, Fu Jen Catholic University

*“Demeurant accidentellement”: Émigrés, Pleasure Gardens,  
and Musical Citizenship*

Virginia Whealton, Texas Tech University

Comment: Eric Schlereth, University of Texas at Dallas

SATURDAY, JULY 18 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**34. Roundtable: New Approaches to Gendered Violence and Bodily Autonomy in Revolutionary America**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Nicole Mahoney, Iona University, ITPS

Panelists:

Sean Gallagher, University of South Carolina

Sarah Pearlman Shapiro, David Center for the American Revolution, American Philosophical Society

Keiara Price, Rutgers University

Kirsten A. Smitherman, College of William and Mary

Emily Whitted, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Comment: Audience

**35. Mapping the Republic: Seeing Numbers and Visualizing Networks in the Early United States**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: David Horst Lehman, Westminster College

*Mapping the “Slave Power”*

Susan Schulten, University of Denver

*Data Visualization, Political Authority, and Constitution-Making from 1776 to 1824*

Edward J. Blum, San Diego State University

*Reconsidering the Impact of Canals on the National Market: The Case of Advertising*

Jennifer M. Black, Misericordia University

Comment: Tamara Thornton, SUNY, Buffalo

SATURDAY, JULY 18 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**36. Legal Strategies and Identities on the  
Borderlands of the Early Republic**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Samantha Seeley, University of Richmond

*Precarious Liberty: Race, Slavery, and Freedom Claims in  
the eighteenth-century Caribbean*

Chris Baldwin, Brown University

*Counted and Unaccounted for: Categorization during the  
Treaty Era in the Southwestern Great Lakes*

Elena M. Telles Ryan, Georgia Institute of Technology

*Maritime Fugitivity in the Antebellum Gulf*

Taneil Ruffin, Princeton University

Comment: Samantha Seeley, University of Richmond

**37. Institutions and Governance in the Early  
Republic**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Johann Neem, Western Washington University

*Objects of Communication: Post Office Expansion in the  
Early Republic, 1795-1815*

Alison R. Bazylinski, National Postal Museum

*Constructing Risk: The Labor of Fire Insurance in Early  
Nineteenth-Century Philadelphia*

Bryan Norwood, University of Texas, Austin

*New York's Bellevue Establishment and the Pathologization  
of Immigration*

Anelise Shrout, Bates College

*Recapturing a Revolutionary Past: Pension Applications  
and Illuminating the Female Experience During the War for  
Independence*

Nicole Skalenko, Rutgers University-Camden

Comment: Johann Neem, Western Washington University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:15 –4:00 PM

**38. Salons and Statecraft: Women, Gender, and  
Diplomacy in a Vast Early Republic**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Charlene Boyer Lewis, Kalamazoo College

*From Personal Correspondence to Political Leverage:  
Madame Brillon's Contribution to Franklin's Diplomatic  
Maneuvering*

Kelsa Pellettiere, University of Mississippi

*"Miss Wightt has influence": An Ex-Nun's Access to the US  
State Department*

Joseph Mannard, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

*Harriet Lane, Edward VII, and the Origins of the "Special  
Relationship"*

Kara French, College of William & Mary

Comment: Charlene Boyer Lewis, Kalamazoo College

**39. Implementing Memory: Memory as a Discursive  
Tool in and from the Age of Revolutions**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Hilary Miller, Adams National Historical Park

*From the "Reaches of John Adams's Mind" to a Collective  
Call to Action: Abigail Adams in 1776*

Andrea Freimuth, Bowling Green State University

*A Revolutionary Mirror: Simón Bolívar and Revolutionary  
Interpretations in the 1820s United States*

Evan Stewart, Washington University in St. Louis

*The Lycurgan Moment: Ancient Slavery, Modern  
Government and the Problem of Sparta in the American  
Revolution*

Chris Del Santo, The Graduate Center, CUNY

Comment: Hilary Miller, Adams National Historical Park

SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:15 –4:00 PM

**40. Roundtable: 100 Years of History Writing at America's 250th**

Location: Maestro AB

Chair: Francis Russo, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Panelists:

Isaac Lee, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Francois Furstenberg, Johns Hopkins University

Sarah Barringer Gordon, University of Pennsylvania,  
emerita

Daniel Richter, University of Pennsylvania, emeritus

Comment: Audience

**41. Roundtable: Education in Early America: A State of the Field Discussion**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Rita Koganzon, University of North Carolina

*Black Education in Late Colonial America*

Nicole Brown, International Center for Jefferson  
Studies

*Women's Learning in Revolutionary America*

Zachary Deibel, Virginia Military Institute

*Higher Education, Political Economy, and Native  
Dispossession in the Early Republic*

Dhananjaya Premauden, University of Pennsylvania

*Education and Federalism in the Early Republic*

James Cousins, Kentucky Wesleyan University

*Antebellum Higher Education and the Formation of Racial  
Ideologies Among Students*

Margaret Hughes, University of Delaware

Comment: Audience

SATURDAY, JULY 18 2:15 –4:00 PM

**42. African American Belonging in the Early Republic and Approaches to Colonization and Emigration**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Ousmane Power-Greene, Clark University

*Pledged Allegiance: Black Enlightenment Visions of Duty in Revolutionary America*

Keidrick Roy, Dartmouth College

*“An Indian Cosmogony”: African Colonization and American Self-Conception, 1819-1825*

Matthew Nalefski, Princeton University

*Supporting “A Missionary Station,” Rejecting “Unchristian Prejudice”: Black Ministers and Print Networks Concerning Emigration, Colonization, and Missions*

Nathan Jérémie-Brink, New Brunswick Theological Seminary

Comment: Ousmane Power-Greene, Clark University

**43. Speed Mentoring**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

This session will match up participants for a series of 10-15 minute “speed mentoring” conversations. Participants must register in advance.

SATURDAY, JULY 18 4:30–6:00 PM

**44. JER Roundtable: What was the economy like?**

Location: American Philosophical Society, 427 Chestnut Street

Chair: Jessica Lepler, University of New Hampshire

Panelists:

Christopher Clark, University of Connecticut

Ann Daly, University of South Florida

Rashauna Johnson, University of Chicago

Dael Norwood, University of Delaware

Jeremy Zallen, Lafayette College

Comment: Ariel Ron, Southern Methodist University

SATURDAY, JULY 18 6:15-7:30 PM

**45. Presidential Address**

Location: American Philosophical Society, 427 Chestnut Street

Chair: Andrew Shankman, Rutgers University, Camden

*What They Talked About When They Talked About  
Demagogues in the Early American Republic*

Carolyn Eastman, Virginia Commonwealth University

**SHEAR Awards Presentation**

Location: American Philosophical Society, 427 Chestnut Street

- The James H. Broussard Best First Book Prize
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- The Mary Kelley Prize in the History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality
- The James C. Bradford Biography Prize
- The SHEAR Book Prize

SUNDAY, JULY 19 9:00–10:45 AM

**46. Cherokee and Mvskoke Diplomacies**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Aubrey Lauersdorf, Florida State University

*Returning Corn to Keowee: Cherokee Women Peacemakers in the Anglo-Cherokee War*

Emily Magness, College of William & Mary

*“Translation if only a few individuals were employed as readers”: Christian Missions, Language Transcription, and Diplomacy in the Mvskoke (Creek) Nation, 1820-1830*

Keely Smith, Tulane University

*Cherokee Hymn Books, Sovereignty, and Cultural Diplomacy*

William Smith, Helmerich Center, University of Tulsa

Comment: Aubrey Lauersdorf, Florida State University

**47. Native Grounds in the Revolutionary Era**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Susan Gaunt Stearns, University of Mississippi

*“Without Causing a Great Carnage”: Sauk and Meskwaki and the Revolutionary War on the Upper Mississippi in 1780*

Ryan Fischer, University of Wisconsin - River Falls

*War Upon the Land: Agricultural and Social Life in the League of the Haudenosaunee Before and After 1779*

Kevin Rogan, Rutgers University

Comment: Susan Gaunt Stearns, University of Mississippi

SUNDAY, JULY 19 9:00–10:45 AM

**48. Roundtable: Teaching the Early Republic in a Post Humanities World**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: TBD

*Training Future Teachers During the AI Revolution*  
Margaret Gillikin, Winthrop University

*Cognitive Offloading and Pedagogical Strategies*  
Amanda Hiner, Winthrop University

*Teaching Gender and Ethnic Studies in a Post Humanities World*  
Tyler Parry, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

*Old School Teaching is Back? On in-class writing and Ideology*  
Tara Strauch, Centre College

*Re-Debating the Electoral College in Virtual Reality: A Study in Constitutional Creation, Spatial Cognition, and Immersive Scholarship*  
Warren Hofstra, Shenandoah University

Comment: Audience

**49. Roundtable: Accessing and Editing Early America, 1776–2026: Whose Sources, Whose Stories?**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Jennifer E. Stertz, Center for Digital Editing,  
University of Virginia

*Naval Documents of the American Revolution*  
Christopher F. Minty, Center for Digital Editing,  
University of Virginia

*Papers of George Washington*  
William M. Ferraro, Papers of George Washington

SUNDAY, JULY 19 9:00–10:45 AM

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Katelynn A. Hatton, North Carolina Office of Archives  
and History

*The Revolutionary City*

Bayard L. Miller, American Philosophical Society

*SlaveVoyages*

Gregory E. O'Malley, University of California, Santa  
Cruz

Comment: Audience

**50. Local Government and Everyday Marginality in  
Early America**

Location: Minuet, DoubleTree

Chair: Gabriel Loiacono, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

*Property, Privacy, and the Politics of Privies in the Yellow  
Fever Era*

Donald R. Dostie, Temple University

*“so that I shall not Become a charge to this town”:  
Municipal Poor Relief, Disability, and the Feminization of  
Poverty in the Early American City*

Jennifer W. Reiss, University of Pennsylvania

*“when she signed the indenture she did not know that she  
was free”:  
Negotiating Indentured Servitude During New  
York’s Era of Gradual Emancipation*

Melanie Rush, CUNY Graduate Center

*Awnings and Fees, Sidewalks and Eggs: Huckster Women’s  
Claims on the Public Good*

Carolyn Zola, California State University, East Bay

Comment: William Tatum, Dutchess County Historian

SUNDAY, JULY 19 9:00–10:45 AM

**51. Alternative Outcomes in the Revolutionary West:  
State-making, State-breaking, and the People  
without a State**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Katherine Grandjean, Wellesley College

*Citizens Out of Bounds and the Creation of U.S. Citizenship  
in the American Revolution*

Jessica Choppin Roney, Library Company of  
Philadelphia and Temple University

*The Fredonian Rebellion and New Nations in the US-Mexico  
Borderland*

Max Flomen, West Virginia University

*White Renegades and the Challenge to a Settler State:  
Contesting Race and Nation in the Old Northwest during  
the early Republic*

John William Nelson, Texas Tech University

Comment: Katherine Grandjean, Wellesley College

SUNDAY, JULY 19 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**52. Roundtable: Writing About the Declaration of  
Independence 250 Years Later**

Location: Maestro AB, DoubleTree

Chair: Eran Zelnik, California State University, Chico

Panelists:

Francis Cogliano, University of Edinburgh

Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard University

Michael Hattem, Yale-New Haven Teachers Institute

Robert Parkinson, Binghamton University

Steven Sarson, Université Jean Moulin – Lyon 3

Emily Sneff, Consulting Curator and Historian

Comment: Audience

SUNDAY, JULY 19 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**53. Indigenous Power in the Midwest**

Location: Aria B, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Alec Reichardt, University of Missouri

*Murder On Lake Pepin: Indigenous Power and Transcultural Justice in the Western Great Lakes*

Madeline Halbach, University of Minnesota

*“I Know these Indians Well”: The Faribault Family and the Preservation of Dakota Kinship in a “French” Town, 1835-1862*

Gail Coughlin, University of Minnesota

*Treaty Memory: Imagining and Enacting Miami Futures in the 19th Century Indiana*

Josh Althoff, Knox College

*The Trail Remembers: Tracing Archival Silence on the Potawatomi Trail of Death*

John Peyton, George Mason University

Comment: Alec Reichardt, University of Missouri

**54. Black Feminist Community Activism in the Nineteenth Century**

Location: Rhapsody, DoubleTree

Chair: Manisha Sinha, University of Connecticut

*Black Feminist Activism in the Civil War Era*

Kathryn Angelica, Purdue University Fort Wayne

*Resistance, Motherhood, and Black Feminism in the Early Republic*

Elaina Ginsberg, Mississippi State University

*Black Abolitionist Feminist Geography: Mary Ann Shadd's Transnational Emigration and Spatial Epistemology*

Mamiri Imai, University of Connecticut

Comment: Nneka Dennie, Washington and Lee University

SUNDAY, JULY 19 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

**55. Printers Exchange: A Roundtable of Scholar-  
Printers Reprinting / Remixing Revolutionary  
Texts**

Location: Concerto AB, DoubleTree (AV/Hybrid)

Chair: Joseph M. Adelman, Framingham State University

Panelists:

Justin Brown-Ramsey, Boston College + BC Printers  
Guild

Ryan Cordell, University of Illinois Urbana-  
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Kadin Henningsen, University of Kentucky + King  
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Mark Mattes, University of Louisville + Hot Brown  
Press

Sophie Weinberg, University of Illinois Urbana-  
Champaign + Skeuomorph Press

Comment: Audience

**56. Validating the Medical Profession: Patients,  
Practitioners, and Clashing Epistemologies in  
the Early Republic**

Location: Aria A, DoubleTree (AV)

Chair: Amy Greenberg, Pennsylvania State University

*“Very little confidence can be placed in those vagrants”:  
Patient Testimony, Medical Experimentation, and  
Controversial Reporting in Antebellum Philadelphia*

Nicole Lee Schroeder, Kean University

SUNDAY, JULY 19 11:00 AM–12:45 PM

*Littleton Tacle's Dreams and Jacob Myers's Jejunum: The Knowledge-Producing Labor of the Choleraic Underclass in 1830s Philadelphia*

Timothy Holliday, University of Pennsylvania

*"The Negligence or Obstinacy of Our Patients": Contested Knowledge Production in Early American Medical Academy*

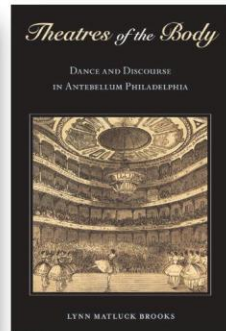
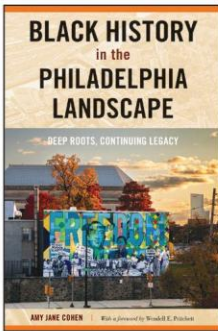
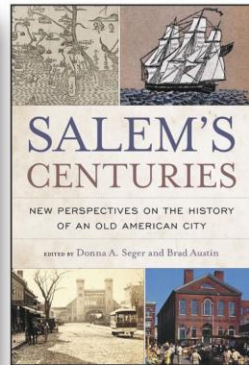
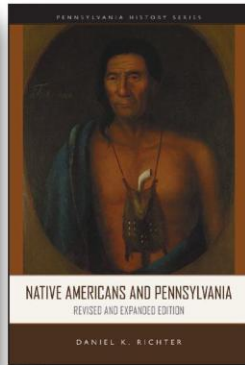
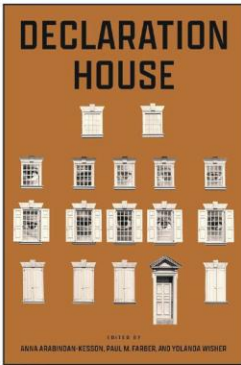
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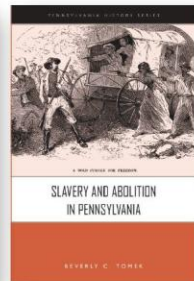
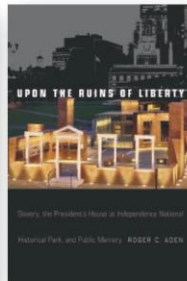
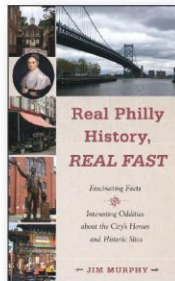
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