

# THE NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

A Regional Professional Association for *all* historical Specializations Since 1965

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 16, 2011**

**WORCESTER STATE UNIVERSITY  
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS**

## **SPRING CONFERENCE PROGRAM – PRELIMINARY 2/17/2011**

**Registration and Continental Breakfast: 8:00-8:30 a.m. – Blue Lounge, Student Center Building**

**ALL SESSIONS WILL BE IN THE WSU STUDENT CENTER BUILDING  
Room Assignments TBA**

### **FIRST MORNING SESSIONS 8:30-10:00**

#### **8:30 Session 1: Urban Spaces in Modern South Asia**

Chair: TBA

Commentator: TBA

Rachel Ball, Boston College, "Marathi Mumbai: Conceiving Bombay as a Marathi City in the 1950's."

Aniruddha Bose, Boston College, "Dockworkers in Colonial Calcutta: Class Formation and Technological Transformation."

Tariq Ali, Harvard University, "Global Commerce and Small Towns: The Jute Trade and Urban Life in Agrarian East Bengal, 1873 to 1920."

#### **8:30 Session 2: U.S. Cold-War Foreign Policy**

Chair: Tanya Mears, Worcester State University.

Commentator: Emmett Shea, Worcester State University.

Andrew Kuech, Northeastern University, "Using, Negotiating, and Contesting U.S. Empire in the 1950's: Chinese Cold War Propaganda."

Jonathan Rourke, London School of Economics, "The Kennedy Administration and Adlai Stevenson: The Appointment of a UN Ambassador for the 1960's."

Ivan Mc Laughlin, New York University and University College, Cork, "Sheriff No More: The Vietnam Legacy in US-Nicaraguan Relations during the Carter Era."

#### **8:30 Session 3: Early New England War and Society**

Chair: Charlotte Haller, Worcester State University.

Commentator: John Resch, University of New Hampshire, Manchester.

Elizabeth Horner, Stony Brook University, "'A Material Post:' Fort No. 4 and the Seven Years' War."

Robert E. Cray, Montclair State University, "Lovewell Lamented: Death and Memory on the New England Borderlands."

Walter L. Sargent, University of Maine, Farmington: "Maine Statehood and the War of 1812."

### **8:30 Session 4: . Progressive-Era American Women**

Chair: Mark Herlihy, Endicott College.

Commentator: Melanie Gustafson, University of Vermont.

David Wagner, University of Southern Maine, "The Miracle Worker' Revisited: Class, Ethnicity, Gender, and Disability in the Reception of Anne Sullivan and Helen Keller, 1887-1907."

Lynne Calamia, Pennsylvania State University, Harrisburg, "Serving Suffrage: Rediscovering the Suffrage Coffee House of Ayer, Massachusetts."

Arianna Funk, New York University, "Visual and Material Identity of late 19th-Century Bostonian Middle-Class Women."

### **8:30 Session 5: Panel Discussion on Teaching I: Teaching China in World History**

Chair: TBA

Dane Morrison, Salem State University, "Manifest Destinations: Contesting Catholicism in Early American Travelogues."

Roland Higgins, Keene State College, "On Comparing Early Modern Asian Empires."

Alfred J. Andrea, University of Vermont, "Teaching World History through Artifacts: The Case of Silk Road Art."

### **Break for Book Exhibit & Refreshments: 10:00-10:30 – Blue Lounge**

### **SECOND MORNING SESSIONS 10:30-12:00**

#### **10:30 Session 6: Identity and Conformity in the 20th-Century U.S.**

Chair: James P. Hanlan, Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Commentator: Shawn Lynch, Assumption College.

Michael Sletcher, Yale University and John Dewey Academy, "The Constitutionality of Loyalty Oaths: Legal Precedents of Testing Educators and Public Employees in Twentieth-Century Massachusetts."

Jennifer Mandel, University of New England, "A Campaign to Build 'A Balanced Community:' Crenshaw Neighbors and its Effort toward Housing Integration in Los Angeles through the 1960's."

Holly Caldwell, University of Delaware, "Creating Transnational Identities: Caribbean Immigrants in New York."

#### **10:30 Session 7: Negotiating Military Conquest and Oppressed Peoples from Hadrian to Hitler**

Chair: Martin Menke, Rivier College.

Commentator: James Bidwell, Anna Maria College.

David Blanchard, Fay School, "A New Appraisal of the Roman Army and the Frontiers, CE 68-98."

Micah Schneider, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "We Gave Them Such a Hot Fire. . . ' Impact of Veterans at the Battle of Bunker Hill."

Michael Gesin, Worcester State University, "Case Study of Nationalism and Anti-Semitism of the Ukrainian Population During World War II."

**10:30 Session 8: . Early American Atlantic History**

Chair: Robert Imholt, Albertus Magnus College.

Commentator: Robert Smith, Worcester State University.

Joseph Avitable, Quinnipiac University, "Nathaniel Shaw, Jr., Merchant, Smuggler, and Agent of Integration: Connecticut in the Atlantic Economy on the Eve of the American Revolution."

Harvey Strum, Sage College of Albany, "New York and the Chesapeake Affair, 1807."

Christopher Cameron, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, "Paul Cuffe, Black Emigration, and the Antislavery Movement in Massachusetts before Garrison."

**10:30 Session 9: 19th-century American Social Change**

Chair: Peter Holloran, Worcester State University.

Commentator: Bruce Cohen, Worcester State University.

Clifford Putney, Bentley University, "Luther Gulick, Springfield College and the YMCA Triangle."

Jun Kinoshita, Kokugakuin University, "Mendenhall Reform of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, 1865-1900."

Priscilla Herrington, Salem State University, "Racial Stereotyping in the Weekday Bible: How New England Almanacs Depicted Blacks and Other Minority Persons, 1792 -1899."

**10:30 Session 10: Twentieth-Century European Intellectual Culture**

Chair: Elizabeth DeWolfe, University of New England.

Commentator: Jason Cavallari, Boston College.

Ian Grimmer, University of Vermont, "Nietzschean Feminism: Helene Stöcker's Transvaluation of Values."

Sarah Shurts, Bergen Community College, "Controversial Contributions: Alain de Benoist and an Approach to Controversial Intellectual History for Teachers and Scholars."

Elizabeth Vihlen McGregor, Annamaria College, "Postwar French Identity and the Musical Legacy of Django Reinhardt."

**10:30 Session 11: Panel Discussion on Teaching II: Teaching the Historical Methods Course**

Tona Hangen, Worcester State University.

Nicholas Aieta, Westfield State University.

Brad Austin, Salem State University.

**12:00-1:30 pm: Lunch and Business Meeting with Elections**

**1:30-3:00 pm Plenary Session**

Themes in the History of Immigration

**3:00 Adjournment**

# NEHA SPRING MEETING PRE-REGISTRATION

NEHA CONFERENCE  
April 16, 2011

Worcester State University  
Worcester, Mass.

NAME .....PHONE.....

AFFILIATION ..... FIELD: .....

MAILING ADDRESS .....

..... ZIP CODE .....

E-MAIL .....

[ ] Member Pre-Registration \$25.00 by mail \$.....

[ ] Non-Member Pre-Registration \$30.00 \$.....

[ ] Luncheon \$14 per person \$.....

[ ] 2011 Dues \$20 \$.....

[ ] 2011 Dues \$10 (student, emeritus) \$.....

[ ] Association Fund Donation \$.....

**Please use this form to pay your 2011 dues, even if you do not attend the meeting.**  
In order to keep our costs low, NEHA does not bill for dues.

Membership is for the calendar year.

Make checks payable in U. S. Funds and RETURN BY APR. 8 to:

**James P. Hanlan, NEHA Executive Secretary  
W. P. I.  
100 Institute Road  
Worcester, MA 01609-2280**

TOTAL (U.S. Funds): \$.....

**Please Note: If you prefer a vegetarian luncheon, please so indicate. Otherwise no dietary restrictions will be assumed.**

**PLEASE DO NOT MAIL AFTER APR 8, as it is unlikely that your pre-registration will arrive on time.**

**Registration, at a slightly increased cost, will be available on the day of the conference.**

**NEHA INVITES PROPOSALS FOR COMPLETE SESSIONS OR FOR INDIVIDUAL PAPERS**

**FOR OUR OCT. 29, 2011 CONFERENCE AT EMMANUEL COLLEGE.**

**SEND PROPOSALS (PAPER TITLE, BRIEF ABSTRACT, SHORT VITA) TO:**

**ELIZABETH DeWOLFE (email: edewolfe@une.edu) by**

**July 1, 2011**

# NEHA CONFERENCE

Worcester State University

April 16, 2011

**THE ANNUAL FALL MEETING** of the New England Historical Association will be held at Worcester State University, 386 Chandler Street, Worcester, Mass., on Saturday, April 16, 2011. The enclosed program was arranged by Vice President Martin Menke and local arrangements were planned by Professor Bruce Cohen and his colleagues at Worcester State University.

**PRE-REGISTRATION** for this conference is strongly recommended; although registration at the conference is possible, luncheon seating is limited. The pre-registration form enclosed herewith should be completed and mailed to the executive secretary by April 8. Please do not mail pre-registrations after April 8, as they may not arrive in time. Registration will be available at slightly increased cost on the day of the conference. Please feel free to photocopy the program and registration material to share with students and colleagues.

**REGISTRATION** is required for members and non-members who attend the conference, including each panelist. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. All sessions will be held in the WSU Student Center Building. Members are encouraged to bring copies of their recent publications as well as other relevant professional literature for display.

## **TRAVEL INFORMATION:**

For travel directions, see

<http://www.worcester.edu/About/Shared%20Documents/campusdirections.aspx>.

**OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS:** For hotel reservations, please contact the Worcester Hilton Garden Inn, two miles from campus, 35 Major Taylor Blvd. Worcester, MA 01608, (508) 753-5700. Please mention that you are participating in the NEHA conference to obtain the conference rate (\$109 per night). Please reserve early as a limited number of rooms are available at this advantageous rate.

**LUNCHEON** will be at the Worcester State University Student Center Building. Please indicate any special dietary restrictions on the reservation form. Luncheon tickets may be available on the day of the conference, but no special dietary requests can be honored at that time. Election of officers will take place at the luncheon. For members who wish to vote but who will not be able to attend the luncheon, kindly contact Prof. James Hanlan for an absentee ballot (email: [jphanlan@wpi.edu](mailto:jphanlan@wpi.edu)).