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**Saturday
October 27, 2018**

**University of Connecticut
Storrs, CT**

NEHA FALL 2018 CONFERENCE PROGRAM

All Conference Sessions will take place in Lawrence D. McHugh Hall (adjacent to the Student Union)

8:00am-8:30am: Registration & Continental Breakfast

**3rd floor, Student Union
2119 Hillside Road, Storrs, Connecticut**

First Morning Sessions, 8:30am-10:00am

Session 1: Reinterpreting Connecticut History

Room 106

Chair/Comment: Robert J. Imholt, Albertus Magnus College

“Connecticut’s 1818 Constitution and the Disestablishment of Religion: A Reinterpretation,”

Robert J. Imholt, Albertus Magnus College

“Digital History and the Historian: Connecticut Revolutionary War Deserters,”

Dana J. Meyer, Senior History major with a concentration in Digital Humanities, Eastern CT State University

“A Farmington, Connecticut, Wool Manufactory’s Industrial Transition: A Comparative Study in Late Eighteenth-Century Connecticut,”

Janet M. Conner, Avon (CT) Historical Society

“‘Every Female That Can Throw a Shuttle:’ Outwork Cotton Weavers in Eastern Connecticut, 1810-1820,”

Mary Sherman Lycan, University of Connecticut

Session 2: New Approaches to World War I

Room 107

Chair/Comment: TBA

“Passive-Aggressive French: Re-thinking the role of France in the July Crisis of 1914,”

Troy Paddock, Southern Connecticut State University

“Unwept, Unheralded, Unsung: The 807th Pioneer Infantry,”

Horace Michael Shultz, Jr., Eastern Kentucky University

“Reporting the Raj at War: Eleanor Egan in India and the Middle East,”

Sharmishtha Roy Chowdhury, University of Connecticut

Session 3: Presidential Encounters

Room 108

Chair: Peter Baldwin, University of Connecticut

“The Bachelor President and His First Lady,”

Thomas Balcerski, Eastern Connecticut State University

“‘What a Conflagration It Did Cause:’ Power and Gender in the Jacksonian Eaton Affair,”

Kim Leach, Senior History Major, Missouri Western State University

“Parker and Sipple: Civil Rights, Celebrity, and Presidential Assassination,”

Nicolas Hardisty, Rhode Island College

Session 4: The Digital Humanities, Historical Research and Pedagogy

Room 109

Chair/Comment: Nicole Breault, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Connecticut

“Fort Devens: Civil Rights Unrest and African-American Identity in a Northern Military Camp During WWI and WWII--an MA Thesis Website,”

Janine Hubai, University of Massachusetts Boston

“Bringing Blogging into the Classroom--Colonial America, 1492-1763,”

Amy Sopcak-Joseph, University of Connecticut

“Applications of Photogrammetry for Historians,”

Daniel Everton, Senior History major, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Session 5: Education in New England

Room 110

Chair/Comment: Kathryn Viens, Boston University

“Resisting Regimentation: The Yale College Student Experience, 1750-1783,”

David Wilock, St. John’s University

“Broken Fragments of Humanity: Views of Intellectual Disability in the Field Notes of Samuel Gridley Howe,”

Naomi A. Schoenfeld, Rivier University

“The Worcester Boys Club: Then and Now,”

Brian F. Leonard, Worcester State University

Break for Book Exhibit & Refreshments: 10:00am-10:30am

Second Morning Sessions, 10:30am-12pm

Session 6: Roundtable Discussion “A Homecoming of Sorts: One UConn Cohort Discusses Graduate School, the Marketplace, and Employment”

Room 106

Moderator: Christopher Clark, University of Connecticut

Panelists:

Dominic DeBrincat, Missouri Western State University

John Kincheloe, Northern Virginia Community College

Michael Neagle, Nichols College

Tom Westerman, Porter-Gaud School

Sherry Zane, University of Connecticut

Session 7: The Circulation of Information and Identity in 19th Century New England

Room 107

Chair/Comment: Tona Hangen, Worcester State University

“Science and the Useful Arts in 1820s Massachusetts: Information Access and the Spread of Rural Capitalism,”

Katheryn P. Viens, Boston University

“Resurrecting the Dead: Two New Englanders’ Early American Passports and What They Reveal,”

Alison T. Mann, Public Historian, U.S. Diplomacy Center, U.S. Department of State

Session 8: Struggles for Freedom and Civil Rights

Room 108

Chair/Comment: TBA

“Degrees of Free: The Life of James Wormley in Antebellum Washington,”

Catherine L. Thompson, College of the Holy Cross

“Animating Change: African-American Historical Pageantry in the Progressive Era,”

Darren Barry, Social Studies Teacher, Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical High School

“Forty Days and Forty Nights: Mass Meetings, The Birmingham Gospel Choir, Carlton Reese, and the Birmingham Movement, 1963,”

Cheryl C. Boots, Boston University

Session 9: Women and Politics in the Northeast

Room 109

Chair: Lauren Stauffer, University of Connecticut

“The Massachusetts Association Opposed to the Further Extension of the Suffrage to Women (MAOFESW) and the 1915 Massachusetts Referendum for Women’s Suffrage,”

Lynne Byall Benson, University of Massachusetts Boston

“Mary and the Machine: Social Justice and Class Politics in Post-World War I Jersey City,”

Robert Chiles, University of Maryland

“The Price of Doing Business: Women & the Political Power Structure in New York, 1933-1968,”

Lauren Kozakiewicz, SUNY Albany

Session 10: Fiction, Film, and Sport in the 20th Century

Room 110

Chair: Sharmishtha Roy Chowdhury, University of Connecticut

“Northern California’s First Historical Imagineer: Ben Sharpsteen, 1895-1980,”

Brian Peterson, Shasta College

“Blurred Lines: Atomic Scientists and the Use of Fear in Nonfiction and Fiction Writing,”

Marisa Calise, Rhode Island College

“Political Games: the Gerald R. Ford administration and the Olympics,”

Erin Redihan, Bridgewater State University

Lunch and Business Meeting: 12:15pm-1:35pm

Afternoon Sessions, 1:45pm – 3:15pm

Session 11: Roundtable Discussion: “‘If I fail, He dies’—Worcester and the Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918”

Room 105

Moderator: Shawn Driscoll, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Panelists:

Ahenebah Lane, Worcester State University

Mike Baker, Becker College

Tess O’Leary, Worcester Academy

Zach Washburn, Independent Scholar

Session 12: Episodes in 18th Century North American History

Room 106

Chair/Comment: Dominic DeBrincat, Missouri Western University

“Blackbeard’s Vengeance: Boston and the Origins of the Retaliatory Violence during the Golden Age of Piracy,”

Steven J. Pitt, St. Bonaventure University

“The Nova Scotia Election of 1758: The First Elected Assembly,”

Kenneth Paulsen, Bunker Hill Community College

“Two Casars: Suing for Freedom in Essex County Massachusetts,”

Jeanne Pickering, Salem State University

“Smallpox in Washington’s Army: Inoculation as a Military Medical Procedure,”

Ann M. Becker, SUNY--Empire State College

Session 13: Politics, Strategy, and Foreign Policy

Room 107

Chair/Comment: Troy Paddock, Southern Connecticut State University

“European Visions, American Geography: U.S. Financial Consolidation and the Morgan Defense at the Pujo Hearings, 1912-1913,”

Olga Koullisis, University of Connecticut

“New England Congressmen and American Foreign Policy, 1941-1949,”

Philip A. Grant, Jr., Pace University

“The Allied Bombing of Rome, 1943-1945: Strategic Debate and Process of Recovery,”

Teresa Fava Thomas, Fitchburg State University

Session 14: Constitutional History and Constitutional Law

Room 108

Chair/Comment: Erik Jensen, Salem State University

“Big Earls Don’t Cry: The Constitutional History of England, The Norman Period,”

Richard Allan Gerber, Southern Connecticut State University (Emeritus)

“Popular Image versus Constitutional Law: the 1939 Hague Decision and Popular Memory of Civil Liberties Development,”

Donald Rogers, Central Connecticut State University

Session 15: Panel Discussion: “Putting Theory into Practice: Exploring History, Memory, and Multimodal Composition in an Undergraduate Honors Seminar,”

Room 109

Moderator: Kelsey McNiff, Associate Professor of English/Composition, Endicott College

Panelists:

Olivia Burrick, Junior, Elementary Education major, Endicott College

MacKenzie Judd, Junior, Applied Mathematics major, Endicott College

Eddy Kreimerman, Junior, Hospitality Management major, Endicott College

Isabella Sears, Junior, Elementary Education major, Endicott College

Julia Warren, Senior, History major (Secondary Education), Endicott College

