Fall (Virtual) Conference Program

All sessions will be held online. Please note that **ALL** sessions are on EST
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**Welcome Video and Book Prize Announcement**

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

**Panel 1: Developments in European Conceptions of Human Nature and Natural Rights**
**Chair/Comment:** Melanie Murphy

*The Christian Nations of the East in Jerusalem at the End of the Middle Ages: The Travel Description of Bernhard von Breidenbach (1483/84)*
Aleksandre Tvaradze, TSU Ivane Javakhishvili Institute of History and Ethnology

*Natural Law vs Natural Rights: Locke and Libertarian Thought*
Troy Paddock, Southern Connecticut State University

*Does Kant Need a Biography?*
Nicholas Germana, Keene State College

**Panel 2: Taphophiles Capture Local History: Using ArcGIS Online and Cemeteries to Tell the History of Central Aroostook County**
**Chair/Comment:** Kimberly Sebold

*The Life of Benny Robinson of Aroostook County, Maine*
Angela Wilkinson, University of Maine at Presque Ile

*The role of the Irish in the Early Settlement of Central Aroostook County*
Krista Luttrell, Research Consultant
Panel 3: Late Twentieth and Early Twenty-first Century Social Movements
Chair/Comment: Miriam Reumann

Carol Cohen McEldowney an Activist in the 60’s and 70’s
    Marissa Burke*, University of Massachusetts, Boston

Black Lady: Sista of Mine: A Look at the Black Women’s Movement in the UK
    Daisha Brabham, Southern Connecticut State University

The “Green Pope” and US presidents: Ecology and Pope Benedict XVI’s Meetings with Presidents
Bush Jr. and Obama in 2008 and 2009
    Thomas Carty, Springfield College

Panel 4: Politics and Society in Central Europe, 19th and Early 20th Centuries
Chair/Comment: Don Wyatt, Middlebury College

Center and Centripetal Forces – Weimar Republic Politics
    Martin Menke, Rivier College

Break: 10-10:15

Second Morning Sessions 10:15 – 11:45

Panel 5: Arts and Entertainment in American History
Chair/Comment: Libby Bischof

‘Upon the Rake’ with Francis Goelet: Tavern Music and Street Dance in pre-Revolutionary New
York and Boston
    Christopher Smith, Texas Tech University

Isabella Stewart Gardner: Patron of Music
    Gregory Slowik, Simmons University
Brian Peterson, Yale University

**Panel 6: Native and African American Women's Histories**
**Chair/Comment:** Kelly Marino

*Women of African Descent and Their Global Quest for Financial Security and Respectability: The Case of Nancy Gardner Prince*
Katrina Anderson, University of Delaware

*Mildred Fay Jefferson: A Black Woman Conservative Intellectual*
Hettie Williams, Monmouth University

*Exploring Native Women’s Roles in the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth-Century Gunpowder Trade*
Jennifer McCutchen, University of Southern Maine

*Pequot Women Captives*
Joanne Jahnke-Wegner, University of Wisconsin, Eau-Claire

**Panel 7: War, Frontier and the Construction of Identity**
**Chair/Comment:** Dominic DeBrincat

*Getting Away with Murder: Enslavement, Racialized Violence, and White Supremacy in Eighteenth-Century New Hampshire*
Timothy Hastings, Keene State College

*Depictions of the Frontier: Genre, Miscegenation, and Women’s Roles in Therese Broderick’s The Brand and Mourning Dove’s Cogewea”*
Susan Savage Lee, Jefferson Community and Technical College

**Panel 8: Asking Difficult Questions about Historical Memory: Including New Voices in Public History Projects**
Chair/Comment: Charlotte Carrington-Farmer

Cincinnati’s Final Victory: The Life and Legacy of Grant’s Favorite Warhorse
   Allen Horn, University of Maine, Orono

Reckoning with the History of Enslavement in Bristol, R.I.: The Journey to Installing a Slave History Medallion at Linden Place Museum
   Ainsley Iovanna*, Julia McGettigan*, and Madelyn McKeown*

Beyond the Monument: Reconsidering the History of Enslavement in Barrington, R.I.
   Stephen Venuti, Barrington Preservation Society

11:45-1:00 – Lunch Break
Afternoon Sessions, 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Panel 9: Public Health, 18th to 20th Centuries
Chair/Comment: Charlotte Gradie

Counting Deaths in Eighteenth-Century Westborough, Massachusetts: The Limitations of Published Vital Records
   Ross Beales, College of the Holy Cross (emeritus)

Settlement Houses and Public Health Nursing during the 1918 Influenza Pandemic in New York City
   Eric Cimino, Molloy College

Lingering Memories of the Vietnam War and Intergenerational Trauma among Vietnamese Americans.
   Amy Johnson, Educational Consultant

‘Noisy and Untidy Patients’ – Memory, History and Narrative at the Vermont State Hospital for the Insane
   Alex Lehning, Northern Vermont University

Panel 10: The Presence of the Past—the French Revolution’s Ominous Historical Guidance for Our Current Crises
Chair/Comment: Michael McGuire

Stephen Vellecca*, Mount Saint Mary College

Mia Zangl, Independent Scholar

Panel 11: Reflections on the Intersection of Economy and Society
Chair/Comment: Kristen Petersen

Famine Relief to Ireland and Scotland from Maine
Harvey Strum, The Sage Colleges

Constructing a Town: Public Education, Local Governance and Suburban Inequality in Postwar Massachusetts, 1950-1990
Amy Wilson, New York University

The Growth of Credit Rating Agencies in the Early 21st Century
Richard Naclerio, City University of New York

Panel 12: Roundtable: Graduate Comprehensive Exam Strategies
Discussant: Jessica Parr, Simmons University

* Denotes undergraduate presenter