



# NEHA

New England Historical Association

**Saturday, October 21, 2023**

**Hosted by Southern Connecticut State University**

**Engleman Hall  
501 Crescent Street  
New Haven, CT, USA**

**Fall Conference Program**

Conference hashtag **#NEHAFA2023**

**Schedule at a Glance**

Registration & Complementary Breakfast	8:30 - 9 am	EN B121 A/B
First Morning Sessions	9 - 10:30 am	EN B210 & B211
Break	10:30 - 10:45 am	EN B121 A/B
Second Morning Sessions	10:45 am - 12:15 pm	EN B208, B210, & B211
Lunch and Business Meeting	12:30 - 1:20	EN B121 A/B
Afternoon Sessions	1:30 - 3 pm	EN B208, B210, & B211
*Quiet Work/Rest/Relaxation	8am – 3pm	EN B206

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**First Morning Sessions, 9 – 10:30am**

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**Panel 1: *Reframing Slavery and Freedom in the Public History Narrative: Case Studies from New England: A Roundtable***

Engleman Hall B210

Chair: Charlotte Carrington-Farmer, Roger Williams University

Courtney Garrity, Roger Williams University  
“Creating a Timeline of Enslavement in Bristol, RI”

Eleanor Langham, Independent Scholar

“Mapping Enslavement in Bristol, RI”

Lynn Smith, Independent Scholar

“New Interpretations of New Goree: A Neighborhood Case Study from Bristol, RI”

Kristen Black, Roger Williams University

“From Enslavement to “Network to Freedom”: Case Studies of Barrington, RI and Fall River, MA”

Richard McGee, Roger Williams University

“Rhode Island Slave History Medallions: Saylesville Quaker Meeting House”

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**Panel 2: *Reimagining and Reexamining Historical Narratives***

Engleman Hall B211

Chair: Eric Cimino, Molloy University

Evan Turiano, Yale University

“A New Origin Story for the 1850 Fugitive Slave Law”

Emma Lovejoy, UMass Boston

“Introducing the Righteous Criminal to the American Canon: A Call to Reexamine America’s Revolutionary Narrative”

Kelly Marino, Sacred Heart University

“A Thousand Times More Valiant”: Rethinking the Political Activism of Suffragist Lucy Burns”

Troy Paddock, Southern Connecticut State University

“The Poverty of Libertarianism”

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**Break: 10:30-10:45 (EN B121 A/B)**

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**Second Morning Sessions, 10:45-12:15**

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**Panel 3: *Industry and Militarism in the U.S. and Europe***

Engleman Hall B208

Chair: Troy Paddock, Southern Connecticut State University

Sharmishtha Roy Chowdhury, University of Connecticut

“The Military Victory of Bolshevism Gives it Full Freedom to Act’: Anti-Communism and the Interwar French Military, 1919-1939”

Donald W. Rogers, Central Connecticut State University

“Stayin’ Alive: Native People in Industrial Progressive-Era Connecticut”

Janet M. Conner, Independent Scholar

“A Confluence of Fiber And Waterpower: Early Clothier’s Works in Avon, Connecticut 1790 – 1830”

Lindsay Weaver, Eastern Connecticut State University

“How U.S. and British Capitalists Threatened the Freedoms Allowed Under Representative Governments During the Second Industrial Revolution”

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**Panel 4: *Researching Slavery in Connecticut***

Engleman Hall B210

Chair: Kyle Roberts, Congregational Library & Archives

Alec Lurie, Stony Brook University

“The Vincent J. Rosivach Register of Slaves and the Fairfield Slavery Database Project”

Dana J. Meyer, Connecticut League of History Organizations

“The BIPOC Dataset Revisited: Normalizing Data while Preserving Autonomy”

Michael Kemezis, CT Humanities

“Putting Connecticut Slavery Research into Conversation: The CT Digital Data Working Group”

Kristina Poznan, University of Maryland

“Connecting CT Slavery Research to Broader Contexts: Linking Open Data through Enslaved.org”

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**Panel 5: *Politics, Religion, War, and the Archive in Recent United States History***

Engleman Hall B211

Chair: Troy Rondinone, Southern Connecticut State University

Philip A. Grant, Independent Scholar

“The Congressional Career of Rosa L. DeLauro of Connecticut, 1991-2023” (via Zoom)

Michael E. Neagle, Nichols College

“From Bandit to Terrorist: A Rhetorical Analysis of America’s Long War on Terror”

Thomas J. Carty, Springfield College

“Joe Biden and the Changing Catholic Church, 1942-1977”

Brian Peterson, Shasta College

“The Kingdom of Swing Centers in New Haven: Benny Goodman, Yale University, and the Irving S. Gilmore Music Library Archive, 1982-1986”

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**12:30-1:20 – Lunch Break (EN B121 A/B)**

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**Afternoon Sessions, 1:30– 3**

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**Panel 6: *Socialization and Familial Ties in New England and the West***

Engleman Hall B208

Chair: D. Caleb Smith, Mt. Holyoke College

Stephanie Bennett Rahmat, Independent Archivist

“Finding Friendships in the Fruitlands Shaker Photographic Collection: Sanderson Paints the Shakers”

Sandra Rux, Independent Scholar

“The Wentworth Takeover: How One Family Dominated Portsmouth And New Hampshire 1715-1775”

Michael Gunther, Georgia Gwinnett College

“Albert Gallatin’s Final Days and the Fate of the Antebellum West”

Alice King, University of Virginia

“Colonial Conflict and the Trade in Indigenous Corn on the Connecticut River, 1637-1639”

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**Panel 7: *Pedagogy in the Past and in Praxis***

Engleman Hall B210

Chair: Julian Madison, Southern Connecticut State University

Emma Sands, Eastern Connecticut State University

“The Social Mobility and Identity at Stake; The Experience of Internment Curriculum in WWII Japanese-American Relocation Camps”

Dominic DeBrincat, Missouri Western State University

“Combating the Willful Decline of Memory: Class Notes as an Assessment Alternative to Exams”

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**Panel 8: *African Americans in the Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Centuries***

Engleman Hall B211

Chair: Siobhan Carter-David, Southern Connecticut State University

Rebecca Edwards, Rochester Institute of Technology

“Extraordinary Lives: Recovering the Experience of Black Deaf People in the American Deaf Community of the Nineteenth-Century”

CJ Martin, Old Sturbridge Village / UMass Amherst

“Reverend John W. Lewis, Race, and Bias in the Black Freedom Struggle: A Case Study”

Kathryn Angelica, University of Connecticut

“To Make the World a Better Place:” Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin and the Advent of the African American Women’s Club Movement”

Tamara D. Hill, Independent Scholar

“Harriet Jacobs: A Heroic Enslaved Woman and Mother” (via Zoom)