

# 2017 Conference Program

The 2017 Virginia Forum will be held at Norfolk State University in Norfolk, Virginia from March 2-4, 2017.

Please note the schedule below is a draft and is subject to change.

## **Thursday, March 2, 2017**

6-8pm at Slover Library in Downtown Norfolk

Plenary Session: David Bearinger, "The State of Virginia Humanities"

Dessert reception to follow.

## **Friday, March 3, 2017**

9:00-10:30 am

### **Health and Medicine in Virginia**

Chair: Charles Ford

R. Neil Hening, "Before the Beach there was Huguenot Springs"

Khadijah Miller and April Manalang, "'Mabuhay!' To your Health!: A Comparative Analysis on the Impact of Socioeconomic Factors on Health Disparities among Black and Filipina Women in Virginia"

King Davis, "The Central Lunatic Asylum for Colored Insane: Analysis and Policy Implications of the First 5000 Admissions, 1868-1901"

John J. Zaborney, "'Doctoring the Poor': Poor Whites' Medical Care in Antebellum Virginia"

### **African American Communities and Identities**

Chair: Angelita Reyes

Jason Sawyer and Melissa Ooten, "Community Memory and Public History: A Case Study of Richmond's Far East End"

Jeffrey Littlejohn, "The Family History of Edward Dawley and Joe Jordan"

Amy Bertsch, "Felix Richards Slaves": Exploring the Identities of Enslaved People Photographed near Alexandria"

11:00 am -12:30pm

**Roundtable: The Changing Face of Virginia**

Chair: Cassandra Newby-Alexander

Panelists: Kay Wright Lewis, John Coombs, Stephanie Richmond, E. Arnold Modlin

**Desegregating Virginia Colleges**

Chair: April Manalang

Raymond Pierre Hylton, "Hartshorn Memorial College and the Paradoxical Quest for Black Female Identity, 1883-1930"

Shawn McAvoy, "The Long Path to Integration and Equality at Patrick Henry Branch College"

Peter Wallenstein, "What Is Required of Us, What Is Permitted? Desegregating Virginia's Private Colleges, 1948–1968"

12:30-2pm Lunch

**Presentations on Digital Virginia**

Bibb C. Edwards, "Caroline's Journal, Volume 7: a 150 Year-old Blog"

Lynn Rainville, "Unconventional e-Research into Slavery at Sweet Briar: 15 years of Social Media, Websites, and Databases to Uncover the College's Invisible Founders"

Amy Speckart, "An African-American Photographer in Twentieth-Century Williamsburg: The Search for Context for the Albert Durant Photography Collection of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation"

S.J. Wolfe, "Resources at the American Antiquarian Society"

2:00-3:30 pm

**The African American Identity in Virginia's Graveyards**

Chair: Alyson Lindsey Taylor-White

Panelists: Ywone Edwards-Ingram, Ryan K. Smith, Emily Alden Williams,

**The 1963 Danville Civil Rights Movement: White Allies**

Chair: Khadijah Miller

Cecilia Moore, “The Society of Christ Our King and Danville. Virginia, 1963”

James H. Hershman, “Samuel Newman, M.D.: Steadfast Defender of Social Justice”

Emma C. Edmunds, “Virginia Bourne: From the YWCA to Civil Rights”

4:00-5:30pm

### **Early Virginia Cities**

Chair: David A. Rawson

Kasey Sease, “The Worst Citizens in the World” : Merchants and the Struggle for Social Success in Colonial Virginia”

Troy Valos, “The City of Two Doors: Norfolk’s Role in 19th Century Domestic Slave Trade”

David A. Rawson, “Norfolk’s Forgotten First Newspaper: The Short and Unhappy Life of the Virginia Gazette or Norfolk Intelligencer, 1774-75”

### **Peoples and Places in Virginia**

Chair: Turk McCleskey

G. Jean Best-Richardson, “The Presence of Free People of Color and Those Classified as Melungeons in Early America”

Jurretta Heckscher, “Nature and Nation, Art and God: What Travelers Found at Natural Bridge”

Edward DuBois Ragan, “‘a man and woman in one Country and a man and woman in another country.’ Memory, Place, and Identity in Native Tidewater Virginia”

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

### **Program and Reception**

Norfolk State University Library, Rotunda

Charles Ford, Presiding

Cassandra Newby-Alexander, “Why 1619 Matters”

**Saturday, March 4, 2017**

9:00-9:30 am

## **Poster Session**

Marianne Martin, “Building African American Identity in Williamsburg, Virginia Through the Lens of Albert Durant”

Jeffrey Clark, “What’s in a Name? Preserving Memory and Identity in the Public Schools of Fairfax County”

9:30-11:00 am

## **Honoring Who We Are: A Loudoun County Story**

Chair: Donna M. Bohanon

Phyllis Cook-Tayler, “The Settle-Dean Cabin”

Michelle Thomas, “Belmont Slave Cemetery”

Philip Thompson, “African American Memorials”

Alicia Cohen, “Making History Come Alive”

## **Eighteenth Century Virginia**

Chair: Stephanie Richmond

Hannah Tucker, “Connecting the Kingdom: Captains as Interpreters of the Atlantic, 1720-1776”

Steven Harris-Scott, “The Other Unfree White Laborers: Apprenticeship in Early Virginia”

Cathleene B. Hellier, “‘Understands House Business, as Well as the Management of Horses’: The Skills and Identity of Enslaved Male Domestics in Eighteenth-Century Virginia ”

## **LGBTQ Heritage in Virginia: Partnerships, Research Methods, and Community Engagement**

Chair: Lena McDonald

Panelists: Blake McDonald, Gregory Rosenthal and Leisa Meyer

11:00 am-12:30pm

## **Queering Hampton Roads**

Chair: Charles H. Ford

Cathleen Rhodes, “Queering the Tidewater: Uncovering and Preserving the Queer History of Southeastern Virginia Through Oral Histories”

Charles H. Ford, “Obscenity in Norfolk”

Joshua Weinstein, “Irene Leache, Anna Wood and the Revival of Cultural Arts in Norfolk”

## **Public Memory**

Chair: Cassandra Newby-Alexander

Evie Terrono, “‘Memories of stories we heard at our mother’s knee’: Northern Artists, The United Daughters of the Confederacy, and the Ideological Control of the Commemorative Landscape at Manassas National Battlefield Park”

Hilary N. Green, “Emancipation Day? Richmond and the Limits of Civil War Memory”

Leslie D. King and Laura A. Macaluso, “The ‘Cile Turner & Luke Jordan Historical Markers: A Case Study in Public History in Lynchburg”

Melissa Jones, “Comparative Public Histories: British and American Collective Memories of the American Revolution”

12:30-2pm Lunch

## **Roundtable: How to Remember: Commemorating Controversial Topics in Public Spaces**

Chair: Lindsey Horner

Discussion by the Virginia 2019 Commission

2:00-3:30pm

## **Modern Politics**

Chair: Evie Terrono

James R. Sweeney, “A Bitter Divorce: Mills Godwin’s Departure from the Democratic Party”

Richard Joshua Sipe, “Refusing to Be Denied: An Analysis of the Massive Resistance Movement in Charlottesville, Virginia”

Suzanne Smith, “Elder Michaux and the Massenburg Law: Rethinking Resistance to Jim Crow Virginia”

Stewart Plein, “The War in Words: Union and Confederate Civil War Military Camp Newspapers in Western Virginia”

### **Virginia Women: Their Lives and Times**

Chair: Warren R. Hofstra

Sandra Gioia Treadway, “Recovering the Voices of Virginia Women – and Why That Matters to our Understanding of Virginia History”

Sarah H. Meacham, “Elizabeth Jacqueline Ambler Carrington: Founder of Richmond’s Female Humane Association”

Cassandra Newby-Alexander, “Vivian Carter Mason: Community Feminist”

Warren R. Hofstra, “Patsy Cline: A Life and Legend”

3:30-5:00 pm

### **The Civil War**

Chair: A. Glenn Crothers

Madeleine C. Forrest, ““Our Country May Yet Be Redeemed”: Life in Fauquier County, Virginia, 1861 -1865”

Matthew Gottlieb, “The Lost Causation of William Flegenheimer”

Steven T. Corneliussen, “A fitting anniversary to mark slavery’s end”

Steve Longenecker, “Randolph H. McKim: Lost Cause Conservative, Episcopal Liberal”

### **Law and Crime**

Chair: Linda K. Tesar

Jim Glanville, “The 1808 Lewis-McHenry Duel: A Case Study in Local History”

Brent Tarter, “What, if Anything, Was the Constitution of Colonial Virginia? And Why Should Anybody Care?”

Warren M. Billings, “Just laws for the happy guiding and governing of the people there inhabiting” Statute Law in Colonial Virginia”