

Welcome



Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the Twelfth Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Association Conference! On behalf of the Loyola History Graduate Student Association (HGSA), I thank you for taking part in our conference, now in its twelfth year.

For over a decade, the HGSA has represented the interests of the history graduate students to Loyola faculty, staff, and administration and cultivated ac-

ademic excellence and community within the history graduate student body. The HGSA conference began as a way for Loyola students to gain experience organizing, running, and presenting at an academic conference and this event remains one of the most important ways in which HGSA carries out its mission. We are proud of the conference and thankful that we have the opportunity to organize this event year after year.

Our twelfth conference features presenters and panelists from across the United States whose work represents the best of emerging scholarship on a wide array of historical topics. The participants on this year's lunch panel seek to provide historical context and foster constructive dialogue about state-sanctioned violence, a complex issue with pressing contemporary implications. Participants at this year's Public History Roundtable, now in its fifth year, will explore cutting-edge public history projects underway in the Chicago area and consider how these projects contribute to our field's understanding of history at work. We invite all conference attendees to participate in the discussion at these panels.

I would like to thank everyone who made today possible, including HGSA's conference committee and volunteers, faculty commentators and panelists, and graduate student presenters. I would especially like to thank the conference committee co-chairs, Fazila Kabahita and Amelia Serafine, who led this year's effort and without whom the twelfth HGSA conference would not have been possible.

Thank you for participating in our conference and welcome to Loyola University Chicago.

Sincerely, Hope Shannon President, Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Association

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The HGSA Conference Committee would like to thank all of the History Department staff, faculty, and student volunteers for their participation in and assistance with this event. This conference would not be possible without you.

We especially want to thank all of the students from outside of Loyola and the Chicago area who have traveled great distances to be here today and whose participation has made this event a success.

Thank you!

Conference Information

Registration

On-site registration is available in Kasbeer Hall, 15th floor, Corboy Law Center, located at 25 E. Pearson street. Participants who pre-registered can pick up their name tag at the registration desk. The registration desk will be staffed all day and volunteers will be available to help should you have any questions.

Meals and Refreshments

Coffee, tea, and water will be available in Kasbeer Hall throughout the day. Lunch is provided for conference participants and volunteers. We ask that guests who would like to attend the lunch panel please register for lunch. The post-conference reception includes complimentary beverages and light hors d'oeuvres. We encourage all conference attendees to join us at the reception.

Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is available for conference attendees. The username to access the Loyola network is **history**, and the password is **luc608709**.

Conference Hashtag

We invite conference attendees to tweet their thoughts and engage in dialog via Twitter.

Please use #HGSA2015.

Public History Roundtable

The Public History Roundtable, *Chicago Public History in Motion*, will take place during the third session, from 2:45 to 4:30. This roundtable discussion will focus on three public history projects currently underway

in Chicago: History Moves, a community-curated museum on wheels; the National Public Housing Museum, a museum dedicated to the history of American public housing and its residents; and "Documenting Women's Activism and Leadership in Chicago, 1945-2000," an archival project to document and share the history of women's activism. After brief presentations by the featured speakers, conference participants will have the opportunity to discuss issues related to local history and community engagement in public history practice. All conference attendees are welcome to participate.

Blog

Want to share your thoughts and experiences about the conference after it's over? Consider writing a post for the conference blog (<a href="logo declaration-logo declaration-lo

Conference Schedule

Time	Presentation	Location
8:00-8:45 a.m.	Registration	Corboy Law Center
Session 1		
9:00-10:45 a.m.	<u>Trash, Fire, and Bombs</u>	206
	Energy, Economy, and Ideology in the Post-WWII World	207
	Race and Gender in the Early 20th Century U.S.	208
	Fault Lines and Fissures in the African Past	209
Session 2		
11:00-12:45 p.m.	Communism and the Politics of Language	206
	Expansion and Division in 19th Century America	207
	The LGBTQ Communities and the New Left	208
	Rocket Boys, Gypsy Coeds, and New Media	209
12:45-2:30 p.m.	Lunch and Featured Panel: State-Sanctioned Violence: Historical Perspectives and Contemporary Choices	Kasbeer Hall
Session 3		
2:45-4:30 p.m.	Public History Roundtable: Chicago Public History in Motion	305
	Power and Performance in Early Modern England	206
	Postwar American Foreign Relations	207
	Sermons and Sorcery	208
4:45-5:45 p.m.	Reception	Kasbeer Hall

Conference Program

8:00-8:45 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor, Corboy Law Center

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Session 1

Trash, Fire, and Bombs: Urban Environmental History in the U.S.

Corboy Law Center 206

Papers: Destroy What Destroys You: The Discourse of Environmental Politics in Detroit

Chelsea Denault, Loyola University Chicago

Fortress City: Seattle and the Waging of World War II

Katherine Macica, Loyola University Chicago

The Spark That Ignited an Explosion: How the Chicago Fire of 1871 Gave Rise to

Suburban Communities and Created a Metropolis

Patrick Fox, Loyola University Chicago

Comment: Dr. Harold Platt, Loyola University Chicago

Will Ippen, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:**

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Shifting Perspectives: Energy, Economy, and Ideology in the Post-World War II World

Corboy Law Center 207

Papers: Mountains of Memory: Collective Memory, Anti-Mountaintop Removal Activism

and the Struggle for the Coal River Valley, WV

Carl Ewald, University of Illinois at Chicago

Republican Depression: The Politics of Business Climate in Michigan, 1954-1959

Michael Niemi, Miami University

A Nuclear Nation: Perspectives on Nuclear Power in Japan

John Billimack, University of Illinois at Springfield

Comment: Dr. Elliot Gorn, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:**

Adam Widera, Loyola University Chicago

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Race and Gender in the Early Twentieth Century U.S.

Corboy Law Center 208

Papers: "No Longer Afraid of the Bogey Man": Black Chicago's Fight Against the

1920s Ku Klux Klan

Matthew Amyx, Loyola University Chicago

The Respectable Mob: Gender Violence and Capitalist Terror, San Diego, 1912

Tariq Khan, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Coutural Concerns: Fundamentalists, Fashion, and the New Woman

Joanna Kelly, Boston College

Comment: Dr. Sandra Frink, Roosevelt University

Moderator: Lauren O'Brien, Loyola University Chicago

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Fault Lines and Fissures in the African Past

Corboy Law Center 209

Papers: Training Ground: Hunting Narratives and Learning Race in South Africa,

1900-1910

Paul Vig, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Locating "The Body" within Kikuyu and Western Gender Ideologies

Gabriale Payne, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Conceiving a Hierarchy of Power: Visions for Colonization before Colonialism

Jessica Farrell, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

"Apartheid, Sugar Coated in Democracy": Non-Racialism in South African

Sport and the Emptiness of Democracy

Virgil Slade, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Comment: Dr. Kim Searcy, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Rachel Boyle, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

Communism and the Politics of Language in Pre-War Europe

Corboy Law Center 206

Papers: Capitalism on Trial: "The Great Communism Trial of 1925"

Nathan Moore, George Mason University

"The East Sleeps No Longer:" Language Reform in Turkey and the Soviet

Union, 1926-1935

Wesley Lummus, University of Minnesota

Comment: Dr. Marek Suszko, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Kelly Schmidt, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

Growing Pains: Expansion and Division in Nineteenth-Century America

Corboy Law Center 207

Papers: The Drive for Expansionism: A Study of the Mexican-American War and the

Fulfillment and Consequences of Manifest Destiny Guillermo Andres Camacho, Missouri State University

"The Strength of a Nation Derives form the Integrity of the Home":

The Presidential Election of 1828 in East Tennessee as Portrayed by

the Knoxville Enquirer

Laura Ellyn Smith, University of Mississippi

"A Good Country for a Poor Man to Grow Up In": Manhood and Personal

Economy in Jacksonian Illinois

Matthew Sawicki, Loyola University Chicago

Comment: Dr. Theodore Karamanski, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Kyle Mathers, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

The LGBTQ Communities and the New Left in the Midwest

Corboy Law Center 208

Papers: The Classroom and the Closet Door: Lesbian and Gay Teachers in Chicago,

1960-1980

Marc Arenberg, The Ohio State University

Young Patriots and Old Traumas: White Radicals in Chicago's Uptown,

1963-1975

Billy Keniston, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Comment: Dr. Michelle Nickerson, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Lucas Coyne, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

Rocket Boys, Gypsy Coeds, and New Media: Making History Public

Corboy Law Center 209

Papers: Gypsy Coeds Ride the Silver Streak

Maggie McClain, Loyola University Chicago

How to Create a Digital Humanities Project on a Graduate Student Budget

Christine Spaulding, Miami University

Rocket Boys: Under the Earth to Out of this World Lindsey Fisher, Youngstown State University

Comment: Dr. Patricia Mooney-Melvin, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Julia Lacher, Loyola University Chicago

Lunch

12:45-2:30 p.m.

Lunch and Featured Panel

Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor

Welcome: Dr. Michelle Nickerson, Loyola University Chicago

Associate Professor of History and Graduate Program Director

Hope Shannon, Loyola University Chicago President, History Graduate Student Association

Panel: State-Sanctioned Violence: Historical Perspectives and Contemporary Choices

This timely conversation builds on the longstanding urgent discourse on state-sanctioned violence in the U.S., now further intensifying in response to growing mass incarceration and the burgeoning Black Lives Matter movement. This panel aims to place state-sanctioned violence in a transnational and transhistorical context while also considering actions to take in the present, particularly in a

university setting.

Panelists: Sheila Bedi, Northwestern University

Clinical Associate Professor of Law, Attorney at Roderick and Solange

MacArthur Justice Center

Dr. Kathleen Belew, University of Chicago

Assistant Professor of History

Rachel Caidor, University of Illinois at Chicago

Assistant Director, Campus Advocacy Network at UIC; Co-Curator of "Blood at

the Root: Unearthing the Stories of State Violence Against Black Women"

Dr. Kim Searcy, Loyola University Chicago

Associate Professor of History

Moderator: Rachel Boyle, Loyola University Chicago

2:45-4:30 p.m.

Public History Roundtable: Chicago Public History in Motion

Corboy Law Center 305

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underway in Chicago: History Moves, a community-curated museum on wheels; the National Public Housing Museum, a museum dedicated to the history of American public housing and its residents; and "Documenting

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to document and share the history of women's activism. After brief

presentations by the featured speakers, conference participants will have the

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engagement in public history practice.

Presenters: Dr. Jennifer Brier, Principal Investigator/Curator, History Moves

Dr. Brad Hunt, Board Member, National Public Housing Museum

Mary Ann Johnson, President, Chicago Area Women's History Council

Moderator: Ruby Oram, Loyola University Chicago

2:45-4:30 p.m.

Power and Performance in Early Modern England

Corboy Law Center 206

Papers: "The Devil's School House": Sensual Concerns and the Theater in Elizabethan

England

Clint Rodgers, Miami University

A Contemporary Ophelia Reads the Sonnets Vicki J. Simpson, University of Northern Iowa

Proud to Be British: A National Identity of Propaganda

Leah Henning, Loyola University Chicago

Comment: Dr. Robert Bucholz, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Matthew Amyx, Loyola University Chicago

2:45-4:30 p.m.

Postwar American Foreign Policy

Corboy Law Center 207

Papers: The Korean Children of American GIs and the Origins of Intercountry

Adoption

Yuri Doolan, Northwestern University

"To the Needy": Humanitarian Relief and Human Rights in the Horn of Africa

Christian Ruth, University of Kentucky

Avenue of the Americas: Transnational Circuits of Post-World War II

Urban Renewal

Marcio Siwi, New York University

Comment: Dr. John Pincince, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Kris Maldre-Jarosik, Loyola University Chicago

2:45-4:30 p.m.

Sermons and Sorcery: Faith Practices in North America

Corboy Law Center 208

Papers: For Calling Her a Witch: The Life and Trials of Jane James of Marblehead,

c. 1600-1669

Tim Holliday, University of Pennsylvania

Ministering to the Borderland - Itinerant Preachers and the U.S./Canada

Boundary

John Morton, Boston College

Comment: Dr. Kyle Roberts, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Katherine Macica, Loyola University Chicago

Reception

4:45-5:45 p.m.

Reception and Awards

Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor

Awards: Hope Shannon, HGSA President

Awards will be presented to students with the top two presentations, plus an honorable mention award for the best presentation by a Loyola student

Reception: Complimentary beverages and light hors d'oeuvres will be provided

Thank you for attending the Twelfth Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Conference! We hope to see you again next year!