

Fourth Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Conference

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The HGSA Conference Organizing Committee would like to thank all of the departmental staff, faculty, and student volunteers for their participation and assistance with this event. We especially want to thank all of the students from outside of Loyola and the Chicago area who have traveled great distances to attend and whose participation have made this event a success.

Thank you.

Our Town: Making a Case for Local History

Crown Center, Room 530

Chair: Dr. Patricia Mooney-Melvin, Associate Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: “Rural Midwestern Women and the New Deal”
Rachel Kleinschmidt, Eastern Illinois University

“Called to Death: A Case Study on the 1918 Influenza
Pandemic in Coles County, IL”
Krystal Rose, Eastern Illinois University

“Farmers' Metropolis: Rural Illinoisans, Chicago, & the
Prairie Farmer”
Mike Swinford, Eastern Illinois University

Comment: Mark Dluger, Loyola University Chicago

6-9 p.m.

Post-Conference Reception

Hamilton's Pub
6341 North Broadway
(1/2 block south of Devon Avenue/W. Sheridan Road; On the East
Side of Broadway)

Greetings, Fellow Graduate Students!

On behalf of the Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Association and the Department of History, I would like to welcome you to the Fourth Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Conference. The mission of Loyola's History Graduate Student Association is to represent the interests of the history graduate students to Loyola faculty, staff, and administration, as well as to cultivate academic excellence and community amongst graduate students. This year's conference represents our most recent effort to reach out and embrace the wider academic community. Our fourth annual conference brings together over thirty historians, whose works chronologically span from the early medieval era to the end of the twentieth century, and encompass a diversity of subject areas including social, race, cultural, gender, ethnic, and public history. It is our hope that today's event will provide graduate students with an opportunity to critically evaluate and engage not only with the past, but with each other as well. Once again, I would like to welcome you and thank all of you for your role in making this day a success.

Sincerely,

*Jason R. Myers
President, LUC History Graduate Student Association*

8-8:45 a.m.

Registration/Continental Breakfast
Crown Center, Lobby

9-10:45 a.m.

Race, Politics, & Reform: Struggling Toward a New Society

Crown Center, Auditorium

Chair: Dr. Christopher Manning, Assistant Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "Strangers & Outcasts in a Strange Land: The Free African Union Society, 1780-1794"
Christy Clark, University of Iowa

"Relational Politics: Family Life & Kinship & African-American Public Culture in the North before the Civil War"
Kimberly Sambol-Tosco, University of Pennsylvania

"'There is a Time for All Things Great & Small': Towards a Reconsideration of the Origins of American Colonization Society"
Matthew Spooner, Columbia University

"The Reforming Spirit: The Native Affairs Bureaucracy & South African Urban Riot Investigations, 1929-1943"
John Kelleher, Loyola University Chicago

Comment: Brian Jolet, Loyola University Chicago

4-5:45 p.m.

Beauty Queens & Celluloid Dreams: Pop Culture in America

Crown Center, Room 434

Chair: Stella Ress, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "The Colors of Perfection: Beauty Ideals in *Ebony* and *Life* Magazines"
Elizabeth Matelski, Loyola University Chicago

"The Price of Admission: Re-viewing John Sloan's Movies: Five Cents"
Lauren Cordes Tate, Indiana University

"The Milwaukee YWCA: Americanization through Hairstyles, Recipes, & Charm School"
Beth Robinson, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Comment: Alexandra DeMonte, Loyola University Chicago

The Sword & The Cross: Transnational Perspectives on War

Crown Center, Room 334

Chair: Dr. Robert Bucholz, Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "Catholic Priests as German Soldiers: Georg Werthmann & the Military Chaplaincy under the Third Reich"
Lauren Faulkner, Brown University

"Welshmen for Parliament? The Roundheads of Wales Reconsidered"
Jeff Hoppes, University of California, Berkeley

"Providence and Ambition: James Polk, the Second Great Awakening, and the Mexican-American War, 1845-1847"
Darren McDonald, Boston College

Comment: Steve Catania, Loyola University Chicago

1-1:45 p.m.

Lunch

Crown Center, Lobby

Welcome: Barbara H. Rosenwein, History Department Chair, LUC

2-3:45 p.m.

The Public Historian's Craft

Crown Center, Auditorium

Moderator: Stella Ress, Loyola University Chicago

Presenters: Lori Osborne, Archivist, Evanston History Center

Amy Tyson, Assistant Professor, DePaul University

Terry Fife, Founder and Principal of History Works, Inc.

Terry Tatum, Director of Research, Chicago Department of Planning and Development, Landmarks Division

Who Will Save Your Soul: The Secular or The Sacred

Crown Center, Room 334

Chair: Albert Vogt, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "Influential Spirits: The Role of Spiritualism & Psychical Research in the Development of Psychology in the Late Nineteenth & Early Twentieth Centuries"
Jennifer Dowie, Central Michigan University

"Free Will... We Choose to Determine Our Own Way: The Exoduster Movement and the African American Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and Indiana"
Kelly Bates Oglesby, Indiana State University

"A Tale of Two Schisms: Race, Space & Religion in Charleston, South Carolina, 1815-1835"
Eric Rose, University of South Carolina

Comment: Doug Cline, Loyola University Chicago

Chicago: My Kind of Town?

Crown Center, Room 334

Chair: Dr. Harold Platt, Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "That Human Cesspool': The Second Cook County Jail, 1871-1929"
Susan Fry, Loyola University Chicago

"An Odor for Which There are No Polite Words: The Smells of Chicago's Stockyard Jungle"
Christine McNulty, IUPUI

"Search the Scriptures: Frank L. Wood, the Wesleyan Bible Class and the Rise of Fundamentalism in Chicago"
Christopher Cantwell, Cornell University

Comment: Elizabeth Hoffman, Loyola University Chicago

Constructing American Indian Identity

Crown Center, Room 434

Chair: Dr. Theodore Karamanski, Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Papers: "They Looked like the Devil Himself: Franciscan Representations of Indians in Spanish Florida"
Albert Vogt, Loyola University Chicago

"In Search of 100% All Americans: Daughters of the American Revolution & their Contradictory Notions of the Ideal American, 1890-1940"
Sarah Doherty, Loyola University Chicago

"Hegemony & Resistance at the World's Columbian Exposition: Chief Simon Pokagan & the Red Man's Rebuke"
Lisa Davis, Loyola University Chicago

Comment: John Low, Executive Director of the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian

9-10:45 a.m.

Sounding Off: Notes of Change in American Music

Crown Center, Room 530

- Chair: Dr. Lewis Erenberg, Professor, Loyola University Chicago
- Papers: “Color Walked Through that Door in 1968: The Rise and Fall of Stax Records' Integrated Impulse”
Domenico Ferri, Loyola University Chicago
- “A Shout in the Wilderness of Pop Culture: The Grunge Phenomenon”
Kelly O'Connor, Loyola University Chicago
- “Worthy of their Sires: Confederate Lyrics as a Renaissance of American Revolutionary Ideology”
Gregory Jones, Kent State University
- Comment: Kirby Pringle, Loyola University Chicago

11 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

Disrobing the Other: Gender & Sexuality Stereotypes

Crown Center, Room 334

- Chair: Dr. Prudence Moylan, Professor, Loyola University Chicago
- Papers: “White Slaves & White Pine: Narratives of Forced Prostitution in the Pinerias & in Chicago, 1887-1910”
Laura Leupke, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- “Queering Mexican Revolutionary Modernity: Saturnino Herrán and the Homoerotics of Mexican National Identity”
Ryan Jones, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- “The Feminized Jew & Virile Americanism, 1900-1920”
Sarah Imhoff, University of Chicago
- Comment: Megan Stout, Loyola University Chicago

Making Sense of the "Good" War

Crown Center, Room 530

- Chair: Jason Myers, Loyola University Chicago
- Papers: “Patriotic Country Music during WWII: Hillbilly Artists as the First Angry Americans”
Lindsey Bier, Northern Illinois University
- “War & Memory: The Creation of the American Memory of the Atomic Bombings & the End of the War in the Pacific”
Michael Beau Mishler, University of North Dakota
- “Soufflotines in Algeria: Women, Internationalism, and Authoritarianism in the Parti Social Français, 1936-1939”
Caroline Campbell, University of Iowa
- Comment: Theresa Embrey, Loyola University Chicago

Medieval Commentaries

Crown Center, Room 434

- Chair: Dr. Theresa Gross-Diaz, Associate Professor, Loyola University Chicago
- Papers: “Debating Late Byzantine Identity: Humanism and Hellenism at the Council of Florence (1439)”
Panos Siampos, Loyola University Chicago
- “Humanist Translation as Commentary”
Tom Juettner, Loyola University Chicago
- “Biblical Models for Rulers in the Exegesis of Rabanus Maurus”
Amy Oberlin, Loyola University Chicago
- Comment: Daniel O'Gorman, Loyola University Chicago