March 13-15, 2014
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 2:00 PM IN THE BASEMENT LOBBY OF THE JOHNSON CENTER

OPENING SESSION
3:00 PM—4:30 PM

1) HUMAN TRAFFIC
“Transportation: The Slave and Convict Trades into Virginia, 1740-1775,” Anthony S. Parent, Wake Forest University
“Thomas Jefferson and the Closing of the Slave Trade,” Paul Finkelman, Albany Law School
“The Cost of the Trade: A Slave Trader’s Business Network in Antebellum Richmond, Virginia,” Alexandra Finley, College of William and Mary

DUTCH DINNER (location TBA)

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 7:30 AM IN THE BASEMENT LOBBY OF THE JOHNSON CENTER

8:00 AM—8:15 AM
Welcoming Remarks
Randolph F. Scully, George Mason University

CONCURRENT SESSIONS I
8:30 AM—10:00 AM
2) ROADS
Moderator: Zachary Schrag, George Mason University
“Henry G. Shirley: Virginia’s ‘Highways Man’,” Alan Capps, George Mason University
“Getting Virginia out of the Mud: New Roads and Bridges for the Old Dominion, 1900-1935,” Ann L. B. Miller, Virginia Center for Transportation and Research
“The History of Northern Virginia’s Roads as seen in Contemporaneous Maps,” Sinclair Shears, George Mason University

3) NATIVE VIRGINIA
Moderator: Joan C. Bristol, George Mason University
“Black and Red Bodies on the Auction Block: The African American and Native American Slave Trade in Early Virginia,” Arica Coleman, University of Delaware
“Philosophy of Dispossession: The Influence of Trans-Atlantic Intellectuals on Virginia Native American Dispossession,” Royce Gildersleeve, George Mason University
“Botanomancia: Divining a Traveler’s Intent in the Virginian Algonquian Tidewater,” Edward DuBois Ragan, Centenary College of Louisiana

4) STOPPING FOR DEATH: ETHNOGRAPHIC INSIGHTS ON THE NEGOTIATION OF SPACE AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY
Moderator: Debra Lattanzi Shutika, George Mason University
“The Work and Culture of the Internment Services Branch,” Belinda M. Molloy, George Mason University
“Managing the Funeral Procession: Reflections from Arlington National Cemetery,” Julie N. Chamberlain, George Washington University
“Elysian Planes: Negotiation of Meanings of Hallowed Space,” Noel Lopez, George Mason University

CONCURRENT SESSIONS II
10:15 AM—11:45 AM

5) CHALLENGING SLAVERY IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY VIRGINIA
Moderator: Randolph F. Scully, George Mason University
“Annfield, Arlington, and Africa and the Ties that Bind,” Deborah A. Lee, Independent Scholar
“The Destroyer in our Midst: Wesleyan Missionary Jarvis C. Bacon’s Labors in Grayson County, Virginia, 1848-1851,” Kenneth T. McFadyen, Emory and Henry

6) ART AND THE SENSES
Moderator: Lydia Brandt, University of South Carolina
“Sound Travels: The Sonic World of Virginia as Depicted by Early Travelers,” Kathy O. McGill, George Mason University

“Mapping Jefferson’s Art: Reinterpreting the Dining Room at Monticello,” Jennifer Strotz, Monticello

“Steady Vision and Tumult: Transatlantic Metaphor in the Immigrant Watercolors of Benjamin Henry Latrobe,” Julia A. Sienkiewicz, Duquesne University

“Michael Miley: Traveling the Road between Photographic Artistry and Commercial Success, 1866-1915,” Richard Alan Straw, Radford University

7) PUBLISHING STATE AND LOCAL HISTORY: A ROUNDTABLE
Moderator & Comment: Elizabeth Brand Monroe, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

“Who Is Your Audience? Where Do You Find and How Do You Use Evidence?” Thomas A. Mason, Indiana University-Perdue University Indianapolis

“How Can an Author Think Like an Editor: What Are Publishers Looking For?” Graham T. Dozier, Virginia Historical Society

“How Can an Author Communicate Specialized Knowledge to a Nonspecialist Audience?” J. Kent Calder, Texas State Historical Association

12:00 PM—1:20 PM
LUNCH

LUNCHTIME SESSIONS

8) CREATING TOMORROW’S DIGITAL RESOURCES TODAY
Matthew S. Gibson, Encyclopedia of Virginia, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
John G. Deal, Library of Virginia
Sue Perdue, Documents Compass
David A. Rawson, Index of Virginia Printing
Brendan Wolfe, Encyclopedia of Virginia

9) TRANSATLANTIC VIRGINIA
Moderator: Rosemarie Zagarri, George Mason University


“Virginia as a Transatlantic Intellectual Hub: European Scholars at the University of Virginia, 1825-1850,” Richard M. Mikulski, University at Buffalo, SUNY.

12:00 PM -1:20 PM VIRGINIA FORUM PUBLICATIONS INITIATIVE MEETING
The Virginia Forum Publications Initiative seeks to encourage participants in the Virginia Forum to explore a range of publication opportunities for papers presented at the Forums. Publications can take many forms including, but not limited to, topical collections of essays edited from Forum papers, online postings of papers at the Virginia Forum website, or entries to the Encyclopedia Virginia based on Forum
presentations. The Publications Initiative is an open committee or task force of Virginia Forum participants who recognize that papers presented at the Forum make significant new contributions to scholarship on Virginia in many different fields and professions and that this scholarship merits attention through a wide range of publication media. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS III
1:30 PM—3:00 PM

10) NEW CONTEXTS AND NEW TRAFFIC AT HISTORIC SITES
Moderator: Spencer Crew, George Mason University
“From Prestwould to Boydton: The Road from Slavery to Freedom: A Geographic Context for the Sydnor Cabin Site,” Peter V. Bergstrom, Independent Historian
“Traffic@ Cabin Point: Academic Research and Social Entrepreneurship,” Angelita Reyes, Arizona State University
“Stimulating ‘Traffic’ in Rural Virginia: Efforts to Bring a Lost Community Back to Life,” Ellen A. Brown, Independent Scholar
“Bringing New Traffic to the Lost Communities of Virginia,” Terri Fisher, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

11) SOCIAL AND CULTURAL VISIONS OF THE EARLY REPUBLIC
Moderator: Katherine Egner Gruber, Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation
“A Little Pocket Money of My Own: Southern Women as Teachers in the Early Republic,” Mary Carroll Johansen, Holy Family University

12) DEALING WITH DEBT
Moderator: Mathias Bergmann, Randolph-Macon College
“Virginia’s Sovereign Debt Crisis,” George Harrison Gilliam, University of Virginia
“Tredgar Iron Works and Technology: Tensions and Contradictions after the Panic of 1873,” LeeAnn Cafferata, George Mason University

CONCURRENT SESSIONS IV
3:15 PM—4:45 PM

13) TRAFFIC IN BOOKS AND BUSINESS
Moderator: George D. Oberle, Germanna Community College
“Lawyers as Land Agents, Community Builders, and Legislators in Early Monongalia County, Virginia,” Barbara J. Howe, West Virginia University
“What’s in a Name? Tracing History, Discovering Community,” Stewart Plein, West Virginia University
“Virginia Nineteenth-Century Social Libraries,” Yvonne Carignan, George Mason University

14) IMMIGRATION AND COMMUNITY IN THREE VIRGINIA CONTEXTS
Moderator: Krystyn Moon, University of Mary Washington
“Alles Ist Ganz Anders Hier: Recreating the German Immigrant of the Greater Shenandoah Valley, 1730-1765,” Anna Elizabeth Gruber Kiefer, Lord Fairfax Community College
“Greek Immigrants in Richmond, Virginia, and the Southern Variant Theory,” Nicole Kappatos, Virginia Commonwealth University
“Therein Squats the Toad: Falls Church, Massage Parlors, and Human Trafficking in Virginia,” T. Mills Kelly, George Mason University

15) CHALLENGING SEGREGATION IN VIRGINIA
Moderator: Jennifer Ritterhouse, George Mason University
“Lynchburg’s First Sit-in: Contexts and Aftermath,” Carolyn Wilkerson Bell, Randolph-Macon Woman’s College
“Irene Morgan and the Virginia Assault on Jim-Crow Transportation,” Margaret Edds, Independent Scholar

5:00—6:15 PM: VIRGINIA FORUM 2015 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
All interested participants are encouraged to attend and help exchange ideas and begin specific planning for the 2015 Virginia Forum, to be held at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

6:00 PM—8:00 PM: RECEPTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

CONCURRENT SESSIONS V
8:30AM—10:00 AM

16) MEMORY AND COMMEMORATION
Moderator: Jennifer Van Horn, George Mason University
“Bridge over the Bloody Chasm: Arlington Memorial Bridge and the Struggle for Civil War Reconciliation,” Michael B. Chornesky, Purdue University
“Inventing the Sacred: Washington’s Tomb and the Relics of Mount Vernon,” Matthew Costello, Marquette University
“Smoke, Steam, Spray, and Stasis: The Persistence of Memory in James River Images,” Geraldine W. Kiefer, Shenandoah University

17) RESISTING INTEGRATION IN VIRGINIA
Moderator: John T. Kneebone, Virginia Commonwealth University
“Leon Bazile—From Racial Integrity to Loving v. Virginia,” Peter Wallenstein, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
“Massive Resistance and School Equalization in Rural Western Virginia,” Theodore Carter Delaney, Washington & Lee University

18) FREEDMEN’S COMMUNITIES
Moderator: Chandra Manning, Georgetown University
“The interests of humanity and the restoration of civil law: Freedmen's Schools in Hanover County, Virginia,” Shawn D. McAvoy, Patrick Henry Community College

CONCURRENT SESSIONS VI
10:15 AM—11:45 AM

19) LOUDOUN, DEVELOPMENT, TECHNOLOGY
Moderator: Elizabeth E. Preston, Thomas Balch Library
“Industrial Development in Washington’s Backyard: Up the Potomac Without a Paddle,” Andrew C. Baker, Rice University
“Out Past the Airport: Dulles International Airport and the Shaping of Loudoun County,” Richelle Brown, Independent Scholar
“Along the Information Superhighway by Bicycle,” Paul E. Ceruzzi, National Air and Space Museum

20) VIRGINIA THROUGH THE LENS OF LOYALISM
Moderator: Theodore B. McCord, George Mason University
“Bad Blood: The Violent Life of Josiah Philips,” David Kiracofe, Tidewater Community College
“Marching to the Sounds of the King’s Drum: Virginia Loyalists Move to Join Cornwallis, 1781,” Stephanie Anne Seal, University of Southern Mississippi

21) PANEL 22: WHEELED VEHICLES AND THEIR CONSTRUCTION IN EARLY VIRGINIA
Moderator: Jay Gaynor, Colonial Williamsburg
“Six wagons well equipped for the road…’: Vehicles for Work and Leisure in Eighteenth-Century Virginia,” Andrew De Lisle, Colonial Williamsburg
“Forging Travel: Blacksmithing and Eighteenth-Century Virginia Vehicles,” Christopher Henkels, Colonial Williamsburg
12:00 PM—1:20 PM
LUNCH

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22) RECONSIDERING VIRGINIA ONLINE
Moderator: Warren R. Hofstra, Shenandoah University
“Virginia Reconsidered Reconsidered,” Larissa Smith Fergusson, Longwood University
“Virginia Reconsidered in Documents,” Kevin R. Hardwick, James Madison University
Comment:
Susan L. Garfinkel, Library of Congress
Jeffrey W. McClurken, University of Mary Washington

23) VIRGINIA IN THE CONFEDERACY
Moderator: Ervin L. Jordan, Jr., University of Virginia
“Clothing the Confederacy: The Accounts of Gruter and Gerek,” Drew Adam Gruber, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

CONCURRENT SESSIONS VII
1:30 PM—3:00 PM

24) CANALS FOR VIRGINIA
Moderator: Will Mackintosh, University of Mary Washington
“Over the Mountain: Building an Economic Watershed in Canal-Era Virginia,” Gregory A. Hargreaves, University of Delaware
“I no longer meddle with questions of law: Thomas Jefferson versus the Rivanna River Company. A Documentary and Historical Study,” Julie L. Lautenschlager, Thomas Jefferson Foundation—Monticello

25) TRAVELERS’ STORIES IN THE COLLECTIONS OF THE LIBRARY OF VIRGINIA
Moderator: Jane Turner Censer, George Mason University
“Virginians on the Go!” Trenton E. Hizer, Library of Virginia
“Immigrants’ Stories Found at the Library of Virginia,” Gregory Eugene Crawford, Library of Virginia
“Slave Journeys Found in Virginia Newspapers,” Errol Somay, Library of Virginia
26) FROM ALEXANDRIA OUTWARDS
Moderator: Lynn Price, George Mason University
“An Atlantic Recipe for Virginia Rum,” Jordan Smith, Georgetown University
“Building Community from a Contact Zone: Harriet Jacobs’s Writings from Civil War Alexandria, Virginia,” Catherine E. Saunders, George Mason University

CONCURRENT SESSIONS VIII
3:15 PM-4:45 PM

27) CHANGING VIRGINIA HISTORY: WRITING AND THINKING ABOUT LONG-TERM THEMES IN THE HISTORY OF VIRGINIA
Moderator: Sandra G. Treadway, Librarian of Virginia
Cynthia Kierner, George Mason University, co-author, Changing History: Virginia Women through Four Centuries (Library of Virginia, 2013).
Jennifer R. Loux, Independent Scholar, co-author, Changing History: Virginia Women through Four Centuries.
Megan R. Shockley, Clemson University, co-author, Changing History: Virginia Women through Four Centuries (Library of Virginia, 2013).

28) WORK AND FREEDOM IN EARLY VIRGINIA
Moderator: Whitman H. Ridgway, University of Maryland
“Occupational Traffic: Poor White Artisan Tenants in Rural, Antebellum Virginia,” John J. Zaborney, University of Maine, Presque Isle
“Over the Hills and Through the Bottoms: Mapping Daily Commutes in Nineteenth-Century Richmond,” Elizabeth Cook, College of William and Mary

29) MOBILITY, CIRCULATION, AND RESISTANCE IN JIM CROW VIRGINIA
Moderator: Suzanne E. Smith, George Mason University
“Going Mobile: The Development of American Roadways and the Travels of Maggie Lena Walker,” Hayden McDaniel, University of Southern Mississippi
“Trafficking Resistance: Racial Politics and the Newspaper Cartoons of George H. Ben Johnson in Jim Crow Richmond, VA,” Evie Terrono, Randolph Macon College