**54th Annual Conference of the Consortium**

**on the Revolutionary Era, 1750-1850**

**Louisiana State University & Louisiana State University-Shreveport**

**February 22-24, 2024**

**Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center**

**Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

**THURSDAY, February 22**

Registration: 3-6 pm (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)

Welcome Reception: 6:00-7:00 pm (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)

Opening Keynote Address, 7:00 pm: David Blackbourn, Vanderbilt University (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)

LSU History Graduate Students Association Dessert Reception, 8:30-9:30pm (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)

**FRIDAY, February 23**

**Session 1 8:30-10:15 (5 sessions)**

**Session 1A: Problems of Citizenship and Sovereignty in the Revolutionary Era**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: Peter Messer, Mississippi State University

Sydney Watts, University of Richmond, "Channel Island Privateers and Free-

Traders: Local Sovereignty under Imperial Rule, 1750-1815"

Nicolás Alejandro González Quintero, University of Sao Paulo, "Exile and Slavery

after the Spanish-American Revolutions"

Emily Yankowitz, Yale University, "Malleable Boundaries, Inchoate Belonging:

Citizenship in Texas, 1827-1848"

Commentator: Tyson Reeder, Brigham Young University

**Session 1B: French Women in the Shadow of Napoleon**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: J. David Markham, International Napoleonic Society

Doina Pasca Harsanyi, Central Michigan University, “The Duke and Duchess d’Abrantès: A Napoleonic Marriage”

Thomas C. Sosnowski, Emeritus, Kent State University, “Honoring Napoleon’s Memory in the 1830s: Mme Junot’s Memoirs Kindle Napoleonic Nostalgia”

Laura Williamson, University of South Alabama, “Sexual Debauchery and Orientalist Desires: French Fetishization of Algerian Women and the Harem”

Commentator: Rosamond Hooper-Hamersley, Independent Scholar

**Session 1C: Soldiers Behaving “Badly” in Early Modern Europe**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Chair: John Protevi, Louisiana State University

Alexander Burns, Franciscan University, “Disobeying the Officers: Common Soldiers as Reformers rather than Robots, 1733-1783”

Logan J. Connors, University of Miami, “Soldiers and (Un)Sociability at the Théâtre de la Marine (Brest, France)”

Julia Osman, Mississippi State University, “Their Just Deserts: Deserting Soldiers and Military Agency in the Early Modern French Army”

Commentator: John Protevi, LSU

**Session 1D: Impacts of Enlightened Ideas**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: David Ellis, Augustana College

Nicholas Scamardo, Southeastern Louisiana University, “Thomas Paine's Impact on American Government and Constitutional Theory Leading up to the Pennsylvania Constitution of 1776”

George Williamson, Florida State University, “An Enlightenment at War With Itself: Kotzebue, Zimmerman, and the Dr. Bahrdt Affair (1790-1793)”

William Oaks, Florida State University, “Privileges and Rights in Revolutionary Alsace”

Comment: David Ellis, Augustana College

**Session 1E (HGSA Panel): Books and Wars in American History**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Marco Cabrera Geserick, Northern Arizona University

Charles Sexton, Kansas State University**,** “The Letter That Fed the Army: The K-

Ration and Its Contribution to the United States War Effort”

Chloe Pellegrin, Louisiana State University, “In Defense of the General”: George

Washington and His Military Allies

Katelyn Spencer, Louisiana State University, “The Founder: Tom Horner and the Birth of FM Books”

Comment: Aaron Sheehan-Dean, Louisiana State University

**BREAK: 10:15-10:30 am**

**Session 2 10:30-12:15 (5 sessions)**

**Session 2A: New Intellectual Histories**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: David Blackbourn, Vanderbilt University

Claudio Man, Independent Scholar, “Opening Jobs to Talent and Virtue: The Tallest Order of the Enlightenment

David Meola, University of South Alabama, “Judaism on Public Display and the Advent of Jewish “Modernity”

Commentator: Celia Applegate, Vanderbilt University

**Session 2B: Legitimating Authority in a Revolutionary Age**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: Marc Lerner, University of Mississippi

Peter C. Messer, Mississippi State University, “A Rough Conversation: The 1747 Knowles Riot and the Limits of Imperial Authority Colonial New England”

Matthew Rainbow Hale, Goucher College, “Democratic Will in the American 1790s: Toward a Reinterpretation of Popular Sovereignty”

Colin Mathison, University of Mississippi, “Echoes of Elite Resistance: West Florida and the Spanish-American Revolutions”

Comment: The Audience

**Session 2C: Roundtable ‘He Conquered Everything’: The Napoleonic Era in Popular Imagination**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Moderator: Alexander Mikaberidze, Louisiana State University-Shreveport

Beatrice de Graaf, University of Utrecht

Luke Reynolds, University of Connecticut-Stamford

Séverine Angers, University of York, United Kingdom

**Session 2D: Naval Military History**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Chair: Samantha Cavell, Southeastern Louisiana University

Izidor Janžekovič, Harvard University, Central European University, “The Balance of Sea Power in the Early Modern Era”

Jennifer Tellman, LSU, “The Hakluyt Renaissance: Re-envisioning Richard Hakluyt in Nineteenth-Century Britain”

Tri Tran, University of Tour, “Woolwich Arsenal & the Royal Navy, 1803-1914”

Commentator: Samantha Cavell, Southeastern Louisiana University

**Friday Luncheon 12:30-2:15 pm**

**Luncheon Address:**

**Elizabeth Cross, Georgetown University**

**"The French East India Company in the Revolutionary Era"**

**(HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)**

**Session 3: 2:30-4:15 pm (5 sessions)**

**Session 3A: “Seditious Inspiration:” The Meeting of Revolutionary and Counter-Revolutionary Conspiracies**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Moderator: Suzanne Marchand, LSU

Beatrice de Graaf, Utrecht University, “Hotbed Brussels: The Failings of the European Security Culture, 1815-1830”

Erik de Lange, King’s College London/Utrecht University, “A Bay of Intrigue: Carbonari Plots and Mutinous Ships during the Neapolitan Revolution”

Christopher Mapes, “Plots Revealed: Central European Conspiracy Culture during the 1820s”

Aggelis Zarokostas, Utrecht University, “From the London Corresponding Society to the Illuminati Conspiracy Theories in the Pages of the Anti-Jacobin Review”

Commentator: James Brophy, University of Delaware

**Session 3B: Peripheries of the American Revolution**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: Rachel Harmeyer, Southeastern Louisiana University

Chloe Northrop, Tarrant County College, “Admiral Rodney in Jamaica and the Aftermath of the Battle of the Saintes”

Kimberly Nath, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, An Opportunity for Independence: Elizabeth Graeme Fergusson

Commentator: Sarah Naramore, Northwest Missouri State University

**Session 3C: Letters and Politics**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: Denise Davidson, Georgia State University

Caleb Longacre, University of California Berkeley, “Atheism and Apophasis: Spinoza, the Kabbalah, and Early-Modern Discourse”

Caroline Hackett, Florida State University, “Epistolary Bonds: Fraternal Friendship and Social Status in 18th-Century France”

Maria Betlem Castellà Pujols, Universitat Pompeu Fabra–Barcelona, Spain, “Managing the Voice of the People: Letters, Mémoires and Petitions in the Hands of the Committee of Reports in the First Years of the French Revolution”

Commentator Denise Davidson, Georgia State University

**Session 3D: French Territorial Wars**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair:Llewellyn Cook, Jacksonville State University

Irene Kim, Independent Scholar, Seoul, South Korea, “Mapping the Discourse of *Le* *Grand Dérangement*: The Political Frenchification of Diasporic Acadians after the French and Indian War”

James Lavelle, Binghamton University, “The Executive Directory and One of its Jacobin Commissioners: The Revolutionary Career of Charles-Raymond Latapy”

Chloe Northrop, Tarrant County College, “Admiral Rodney in Jamaica and the Aftermath of the Battle of the Saintes”

Commentator: Elizabeth Cross, Georgetown University

**3E (HGSA Panel): Political and Domestic Violence in the Reconstruction Carolinas**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Gaines Foster, LSU

Phoenix Riesing, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, “The Modern Three-Fifths

Compromise: Felony Disenfranchisement in North Carolina”

Lesley Chapel, Wayne State University, “’He Was in the Habit of Beating Her’:

Domestic Violence, Murder, and the Reconfiguration of the Household in

Postbellum South Carolina”

Comment: Gaines Foster, LSU

**BREAK 4:15-430 pm**

**Session 4 4:30-6:15 pm (5 Sessions)**

**Session 4A: Roundtable on Ridley Scott’s “Napoleon”**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Moderator: Samantha Cavell, Southeastern Louisiana University

Kalling Heck, LSU

Christine Haynes, University of North Carolina - Charlotte

Margaret Crosby-Arnold, Liberty University

**Session 4B: Religious Interpretations of The Seven Years War**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: Bryan A. Banks, Columbus State University

J. L. Tomlin, Fairmont State University, “A Dreadful, but most Just Settlement of Their Sins:” New England Congregationalism, Holy War, and Religious Identity in the French and Indian War, 1750-1765

Thomas Lecaque, Grand View University, “To remove the Encroachments our antichristian Neighbours, who also are our great Enemies”: Theodorus Frielinghuysen, the Seven Years War, and Apocalyptic Holy Wars in the Reformed Tradition

Commentator: Bryan A. Banks, Columbus State University

**Session 4C: “The Military Enlightenment in Theory and Practice”**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: Mark Gerges, US Army Command and General Staff College

Jonathan Abel, US Army Command and General Staff College, “Towards a Republic of Doctrine”

Benjamin Goff, University of Saskatchewan, “The French Military Enlightenment in Practice: Healthcare and the Fiscal-Military State"

Michael Bonura, US Army Command and General Staff College, “Clausewitz’s “The Most Important Principles for the Conduct of War:” A Different Napoleonic Interpretation than *On War*”

Commentator: Julia Osman, Mississippi State University

**Session 4D: Race, Colonialism, and “The Other”**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: Leslie Tuttle, LSU

Daniel Russell, Independent Scholar, “A Legacy of Love: How David Zeisberger's Intellectual Influences and Personal Challenges Shaped His Interactions with Indigenous People in 18th Century America”

James Bland, University of Oklahoma, “Indigeneity on Trial at the California Borderlands”

Joanna Gorska, Queen’s University, “Identifying the Siberian Indigene: The Intersection of Class and Ethnicity in mid-19th Century Russia”

Commentator: Samantha Billing, University of Louisiana-Lafayette

**Session 4E: Politics and Memory Across Twentieth-Century Empires and Wars**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Susan Grunewald, LSU

Bruno Rios De Fuente, California State University, Northridge, “Revolt and

Suppression: Uprisings, Responses, and the Fall of the Soviet Empire”

Andrea Wisnewski, Louisiana State University, “Kurt Ziesché’s Das Königtum

Christi in Europa and the Crisis of Christianity in Weimar Germany”

Lauren Guillory, Southeastern Louisiana University, “The ‘Lone Eagle’ vs. The

‘Knight of the German Eagle’: Charles Lindbergh and Ambiguity in American

History”

Comment: Craig Saucier, Southeastern Louisiana University

**Friday Evening**

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**SATURDAY, February 24**

**Session 5, 8:30-10:15 am (5 sessions)**

**Session 5A: The Uses of Antiquity in the Enlightenment**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Jeffrey D. Burson, Georgia Southern University

Frederic Clark, University of Southern California, “From Humanist Pedagogy to the Enlightened Narrative: The End of Antiquity and the Onset of Modernity in Eighteenth-Century Historical Writing”

Anton Matytsin, University of Florida, “The Uses of Ancient Politics in Absolutist France”

Suzanne Marchand, LSU, “The Uses and Abuses of Athens in the Eighteenth Century”

Commentator: Darrin M. McMahon, Dartmouth College

**Session 5B: Memory and Memorialization**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: Luke Reynolds, University of Connecticut-Stamford

Connor Naylor, Fresno State University, “Recollections of Defeat: The 1780 Siege of Charleston in Historical Memory, 1785-1815”

Séverine Angers, University of York, “Grasping the Laurels: British Soldiers’ Memorialization and the Military Hero in the Napoleonic Era”

Alex Belovsky, Vanderbilt University, “The Controversial Lion of Waterloo: European Memory Politics during the Belgian Revolution”

Commentator: Luke Reynolds, University of Connecticut-Stamford

**Session 5C: Diplomacy and Politics during the Napoleonic Empire**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: Beatrice de Graaf, Utrecht University

Ethan Soefje, University of North Texas, “Prussian Reformist Sentiment Before 1806”

Jordan R. Cleveland, University of Mississippi, “Securing Geneva After

Napoleon: Examining the Austrian Occupation of Geneva, 1813-1814”

Joshua Meeks, US Naval War College, “The Copenhagen Dilemma: Neutrality, Peace, and International Order”

Kendall Witt, Independent Scholar, “Spain’s Irregular War in British Strategic Planning During the Peninsular War, 1808-1814”

Commentator: Erik de Lange, King’s College London/Utrecht University

**Session 5D: Slavery and Abolitionism in the Americas**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Chair: John Bardes, LSU

Robert Swanson, University of Missouri, “The Early American Abolitionist Jeremiad”

Deborah Bauer, Valencia College, “To Fetch Corn from Thompson’s Creek: Emelia Davis, Molly Glass, & Murder in the Anglo-Iberian Borderlands of West Florida”

Ana Joanna Vergara Sierra, University of Minnesota, “In Accordance with the System We Have Adopted: Abolitionism and Early Republicanism in Venezuela (1816-1821)”

Commentator: Zach Isenhower, LSU

**Session 5E (HGSA PANEL): Identity and Religion in the Pre-Modern Atlantic World**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: Victor Stater, LSU

Alex Whitley, LSU, “In the English Tongue: Cornish Theatre

and the Prayer Book Rebellion of 1549”

Chris Jordan, LSU, “Man, Myth, and Legend: How the tale of

William Wallace was created”

Comment: Bill Robison, Southeastern Louisiana University

**BREAK 10:15-10:30 am**

**Session 6 10:30am - 12:15 pm (5 sessions)**

**Session 6A: Command and Control in early 19th Century American & British Navies**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: Kenneth Johnson, Air University

Lt. Col. John “Garick” Chamberlin, Ph.D., Air Command and Staff College, “US-British Naval Interaction 1798-1807: Between Cooperation and Conflict”

Samantha Cavell, Southeastern Louisiana University, “Servant of the Board”: Admiralty Secretary John Croker’s Influence on the War at Sea, 1809-1815”

Kevin McCranie, Naval War College, “Systems of Control: The Interaction of Decision-Making Structures with Naval Strategy in the War of 1812”

Commentator: Kenneth Johnson, Air University

**Session 6B: Rethinking Nature and Reimagining Religion across a Revolutionary Age: Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox Imaginaries**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Anton M. Matytsin, Associate Professor of History, University of Florida

Hanna Roman, Dickinson College, “A New Type of Universal History: Imaginaries of Ruins in Late-Enlightenment Earth Sciences”

Dean Kostantaras, Louisiana Scholars’ College, “Prophets of Regeneration: Enlightenment and the Orthodox Clerisy in the Eastern Mediterranean”

Jeffrey D. Burson, Georgia Southern University, “From Histories of Fables to the Myth of the Incrédule, c. 1650-1815”

Dzavid Dzanic, Austin Peay State University, “Anti-Jansenism and Catholic sanculotismo in Italy during the 1790s”

Commentator: Carol Harrison, Professor of History, University of South Carolina

**Session 6C: Ideas and Ideals at the Enlightenment’s End**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: James Brophy, University of Delaware

Joey Dykes, University of Alabama, “The Birth of a Philanthropic Society: Alternative Attitudes Towards Charity by the English Middling Class in the Mid-18th Century”

Matt Feminella, University of Alabama, “‘Wahrheit ohne Schmuck’: Karoline Schulze-Kummerfeld and the Formation of German Theater Historiography”

Scott Madere, Louisiana State University, “A Closer Look at Puységur’s Main Idea: Military Education through Historical Reflection”

Commentator: Marc Lerner, University of Mississippi

**Session 6D (HGSA Panel): Seeing the Other in Twentieth-Century Cultures**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: Stephen Prince, LSU

Lawson Chukwu, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, ‘Displacement and the Challenges of Household Sustainability: An Appraisal of Bakassi Displaced Persons in Ikang Camp, Cross River State, Nigeria”

Ronit Ghosh, University of Chicago, “Mapping Jazz in India and India in Jazz:

Improvisations and Encounters”

Katharina Weygold, Brown University, “Anna Julian Cooper and Harriet Gibbs

Marshall’s Historical Writing about Haiti During the U.S. Occupation, 1915-1934”

Comment: Gibril Cole, LSU

**Session 6E: The Historic New Orleans Theatre Database: Untergraduate Research and Françamérique**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Chair: Jeffrey M. Leichman, LSU

Rhys Borders, LSU (Undergraduate)

Blaire Newburger, LSU (Undergraduate)

Bella Frederick, LSU (Undergraduate)

C. Victor Herbin, LSU (Undergraduate)

Elizabeth Murray, LSU (Undergrdaute)

**Lunch (On Your Own): 12:30-2:00**

Enjoy local Louisiana restaurants; see suggested recommendations in your welcome folder.

CRE Board of Directors Lunch: 12:30-2:00 (LOUISIANA ROOM)

**Session 7 2:30-4:15 pm (5 sessions)**

**Session 7A: Napoleon’s Empire: A Republic of Letters? Panel discussion around *Napoléon et l’Empire des Lettres***

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair: Darrin McMahon, Dartmouth College

Doina Pasca Harsanyi, Central Michigan University

Christine Haynes, North Carolina at Charlotte

Christopher Mapes, Independent Scholar

Maximilien Novak, Dartmouth College

Commentator: Darrin McMahon, Dartmouth College

**Session 7B: Religion and (Counter-)Revolution: New Transnational Perspectives**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: George Williamson, FSU

Carolina Armenteros, Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, “The Jesuit International: Addressing Revolution and Founding the Disciplines, 1770-1817”

Gregory Afinogenov, Georgetown University, “United and Indivisible? Catholic-Orthodox Reconciliation in the Revolutionary Era”

Glauco Schettini, Yale University, “The Age of Concordats: Counterrevolution and the Reshaping of Catholicism”

Comment: George Williamson, FSU

**Session 7C: Roundtable: Beyond 1619**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Moderator: John Bardes, Louisiana State University

Paul Hoffman, Louisiana State University

Marc Lerner, University of Mississippi

Jenny Shaw, University of Alabama

James Sidbury, Rice University

**Session 7D: Science, Medicine, and Natural History**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Alexander Grab, University of Maine

Joel Criswell, Sam Houston State University, “Defending the Sacred: How the World of Wonders Framed the Boston Inoculation Controversy”

Heather Morrison, SUNY New Paltz, “Planting the Seeds: Indian-African Michael Anjou’s work in Vienna’s Botanical and Natural History Collections”

Sidney Gahagan, Louisiana State University, “Epidemics and Alleged Election Frauds in 1853 New Orleans”

Commentator: Julia Irwin, LSU

**BREAK 4:15-4:30 pm**

**Session 8 4:30-6:15 pm (5 sessions)**

**Session 8A: Roundtable: The Future of Graduate History Curricula**

**LOCATION: VICTORY ROOM**

Moderator: Alexandra Whitley, LSU

Benjamin Haines, LSU

Justin Martin, LSU

Carol Harrison, University of South Carolina

Jeffrey D. Burson, Georgia Southern University

**Session 8B: Environmental Histories in the Revolutionary Era**

**LOCATION: CAPITOL ROOM**

Chair: Denise Z. Davidson, Georgia State University

Blake McGready, The Graduate Center, CUNY, “The Environment and Loyalist Bewilderment in Occupied New York City, 1776–1783"

Bryan A. Banks, Columbus State University, “The Great Pigeon Massacre of 1789: Digital Humanities and the Bird’s Eye View of the French Revolution”

Kyra Sanchez Clapper, Bethel University, “Romantic Travel Accounts on American Fauna”

Commentator: Vaughn Scribner, University of Central Arkansas

**Session 8C: Representing the Napoleonic Wars**

**LOCATION: KING ROOM**

Chair: Martin Loicano, LSU

Michal Rastaszański, University of Warsaw, “‘Profiting by the March of Science’: French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars in William Duane’s Military Works”

Luke Reynolds, University of Connecticut-Stamford, “How to Stage a Battle: 1824’s Battle of Waterloo Hippodrama as a Watershed”

Sean Pollock, Wright State, “Pretending to Command: Representations of Prince Bagration in Leo Tolstoy’s War and Peace”

Comment: Joshua Meeks, US Naval War College

**Session 8D: Haiti: Literary and Theatrical Representations**

**LOCATION: GOVERNOR ROOM**

Chair, Lauren Clay, Vanderbilt University

Klaas Tindemans, Royal Institute for Theatre, Cinema and Sound, Brussels, “The Theatricality of Jean-Jacques Dessalines: Langston Hughes’ Recollections of the Haitian Revolution”

Sharon Worley, Houston Community College, “A Comparison of Leonora *Sansay’s Zelica* (1820) and Harriet Martineau’s *The Hour and the Man* (1838): White Feminism, Historiography and Hagiography in Revolutionary French Haiti”

Alistaire Tallent, Colorado College, “Relics of a Lost Future: Évelyne Trouillot’s Child Ghosts of Saint-Domingue”

Commentator: Logan Connors, University of Miami

**Session 8E: Napoleonic Studies: Campaigns in the Near East and Switzerland and a Witness Account from Saint Helena**

**LOCATION: HUNT ROOM**

Chair: Doina Pasca Harsanyi, Central Michigan University

Alexander Grab, University of Maine, “The Syrian Campaign: Napoleon’s Siege of Acre (March-May 1799)”

Donald H. Barry, Tallahassee Community College, “Switzerland, 1798-99: Three Powers and the Swiss Confederation in War and Civil War”

Peter Hicks, Fondation Napoleon, “Count Alexander de Balmain: Misunderstood, Misrepresented, and Forgotten Witness to Napoleon on St Helena”

Commentator Doina Pasca Harsanyi, Central Michigan University

**Saturday Evening**

**Reception 6:00-7:00 pm (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)**

**Banquet 7:00-9:00 pm (HEIDELBERG BALLROOM)**

**Plenary Address: Darrin M. McMahon, Dartmouth College, “How Revolutionary was Equality in the Revolutionary Era?”**