



# Acknowledgments

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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!

# Welcome

Dear Fellow Graduate Students,

Welcome to the Eleventh Annual Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Conference! On behalf of the Loyola History Graduate Student Association (HGSA) and the Department of History, I would like to thank you for taking part in this conference and supporting your fellow scholars. We strive to foster a collegial environment at this conference, offering a forum for graduate students to share their work, receive feedback from professors and peers, and gain experience presenting at an academic conference. This conference represents one of the most important ways in which HGSA carries out its mission to cultivate academic excellence and community among graduate students.

We dedicate this year's conference to the memory of Victoria McManus. Victoria was set to begin the Public History MA program at Loyola this fall before her sudden death earlier this year. Victoria was a motivated scholar, earning the James Z. Rabun prize at Emory College, an award given annually to the graduating senior history major who has achieved the best overall record in American history courses. Victoria's commitment to social justice, intellectual curiosity, and sense of humor assured that she would fit well within our graduate student community. Although we are deeply saddened that she is not with us today, we hope that her memory will inspire us and others to pursue their passions.

Our eleventh annual conference brings together graduate students from around the country whose work represents the best of emerging scholarship on a variety of subjects and methodologies. This year's lunch panel and Public History Roundtable engage with the larger theme of silences in history, offering different perspectives on preserving and interpreting the stories of silenced or underrepresented groups in history. We invite all attendees to join in the discussion during these panels.

I would like to thank the Conference Committee for all their work in organizing the conference. I offer a special thank you to our commentators for giving their time and expertise to make the conference a valuable learning experience for graduate students.

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

Sincerely,

Katherine Macica

President, Loyola University Chicago History Graduate Student Association

## **Conference Information**

### Registration

On-site registration is available in Kasbeer Hall, 15th floor, Corboy Law Center, located at 25 East 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. Continental breakfast and lunch are provided for conference participants and volunteers. 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 LoyolaHistory, and the password is luc540485.

### **Conference Hashtag**



We invite conference attendees to tweet their thoughts and engage in dialog via Twitter. Please use #HGSA2014.

## **Public History Roundtable**

The Public History Roundtable, *Interpreting "Others" on Jekyll Island: A Voice for Workers, Women, and Children*, will take place during the third session, from 2:45 to 4:30 p.m. Five graduate students from Middle Tennessee State University will discuss exhibits they produced for Jekyll Island National Historic Landmark District and the challenges they encountered in their attempts to interpret overlooked Jekyll Island inhabitants. After their presentations, conference participants will have the opportunity to discuss the challenges of interpreting underrepresented voices in public history work. All conference attendees are welcome.

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# **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.

Postwar Identity in Europe

Corboy Law Center 206

**Papers:** "To Order and Life!": Local German Newspapers in the French Occupation

Zone, 1945-1949

Guy Aldridge, Ohio University

Yankees, Krauts, and Bolsheviks: National Identity and U.S.-Soviet Relations,

1945-1948

Liam Brew, Loyola University Chicago

Mothers of the Turks: Feminists, Foreigners, and Everyday Integration in a

Globalizing West Germany

Michelle Kahn, Stanford University

**Comment:** Edin Hajdarpasic, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Micaela Castillo, Loyola University Chicago

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Recovering Religious Frontiers

Corboy Law Center 207

**Papers:** Iroquoians, Jesuits, and Conversion in Colonial America

Meagan McChesney, Loyola University Chicago

Imagining the Catholic American Empire in the West

Jeffrey Wheatley, Northwestern University

**Comment:** Stephen Schloesser, S.J., Loyola University Chicago

**Moderator:** Charles Heinrich, Loyola University Chicago

9:00-10:45 a.m.

Laying Down the Law: Turning Points in Legal History

Corboy Law Center 208

**Papers:** Blurred Lines: Medical Knowledge, Literary Description, Personal

Experimentation and the Origins of Cannabis Prohibition, 1840-1865

Adam Rathge, Boston College

A Not So Rosy City: Attempts to Regulate Prostitution and Venereal Disease

*in World War II-era Portland, Oregon* Chloe Tull, Ohio State University

**Comment:** Elizabeth Matelski, Milwaukee County Historical Society and

Jewish Museum Milwaukee

Moderator: Rachel Boyle, Loyola University Chicago

9:00-10:45 a.m.

War and Society in World War II

Corboy Law Center 209

**Papers:** Occupying Nature: American Soldiers and the German Environment

Douglas Bell, Texas A & M University

A Defective Covenant: Abandonment of Faith Among Jewish Survivors

of the Holocaust

Jennifer Lassley, University of Nebraska at Omaha

Wings of Production, Wings of Destruction: Boeing Aircraft in the

Pacific Northwest and Europe in World War II Katherine Macica, Loyola University Chicago

Kenneth Gibson's World War II Letters
O. Eliot Pope, Loyola University Chicago

**Comment:** Alice Weinreb, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Kelly Schmidt, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

Cityscapes: Art and Urban Imagination

Corboy Law Center 206

**Papers:** Commercializing the Skyline: Corporate Skyscrapers, Urban Development,

and Civic Identity in Philadelphia, 1925-1933

Craig Lee, University of Delaware

The Business of Creativity: The Murals of Rogers Park

Jennifer Pederson, Loyola University Chicago

Dreamscapes in Chevrolet Suburban Carryall Advertisements, 1957-1979

Samantha Smith, Loyola University Chicago

**Comment:** Patricia Mooney-Melvin, Loyola University Chicago

**Moderator:** Katherine Macica, Loyola University Chicago

11:00-12:45 p.m.

Empire-Building in the Caribbean

Corboy Law Center 207

**Papers:** "The life of the body and of the soul": Narratives of Saintliness and Blackness

in Late Colonial Mexico

Krystle Farman, City University of New York

Between Swamp and Sea: Bahamian Visitors to Southeast Florida before Miami

Devin Leigh, Loyola University Chicago

Mexico's "Mines of Vegetable Wealth" - Dr. Henry Perrine, Plant Smuggling,

and Jacksonian Colonization of South Florida, 1816-1840 Andrew Siebert, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Comment:** Suzanne Kaufman, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Anthony Di Lorenzo, Loyola University Chicago

### 11:00-12:45 p.m.

# Negotiating Womanhood in Nineteenth-Century America

Corboy Law Center 208

**Papers:** "The game will make our women do sadly unwomanly things": Negotiating

Women's College Basketball in its First Twenty-Five Years

Hillary Anderson, Texas A & M University

Making Waves: Women's Bathing Dress in 1850s America

Annette Becker, University of North Texas

Reinterpreting Margaret's Death: Moments of Crisis and Resolution in a

Southern Elite Woman's Diary

Lindsey Cantwell, University of Colorado, Boulder

**Comment:** Sandra Frink, Roosevelt University

**Moderator:** Amelia Serafine, Loyola University Chicago

# 11:00-12:45 p.m. Shifting Borders, Shifting Identities

Corboy Law Center 209

**Papers:** "The Cape Verdean Who Emigrates Never Puts Down Roots": Slavery,

Colonialism, and Transnationalism in Shaping Cape Verdean Identity

Janelle Edwards, Michigan State University

*Unstable Empire: Russia and the Southern Steppe* 

Travis Gray, University of Texas at Austin

Civil War Borderlands: Escape, Exodus, and Relocation for the Enslaved

Peoples of Indian Territory
Michael McLean, Boston College

**Comment:** John Pincince, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Chelsea Denault, Loyola University Chicago

12:45-2:30 p.m.

Lunch and Featured Panel

Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor

**Welcome:** Michelle Nickerson, Loyola University Chicago

Associate Professor of History and Graduate Program Director

Panel: Changing Strategies for Collecting, Sharing, and (Re)telling LGBTQ Histories

This panel will focus on how methods of collecting, writing, and sharing LGBTQ histories have changed over the past thirty years. Our panelists will provide their perspectives and respond to audience questions. Live-tweeting your thoughts and

questions is encouraged! #HGSA2014

Panelists: Jill Austin, Chicago History Museum

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Dr. John D'Emilio, University of Illinois at Chicago

Pronouns: he/his/him

Symone Simmons:, University of Illinois at Chicago

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Jakob VanLammeren, Leather Archives and Museum

Pronouns: he/him

Dr. Michelle Wright, Northwestern University

Pronouns: she/her

**Moderator:** Adam Widera, Loyola University Chicago

2:45-4:30 p.m.

Black Gold Goes Global

Corboy Law Center 206

**Papers:** In Search of "Equitability:" Iran and APOC, 1927-1933

Gregory Brew, Georgetown University

Discovery and Disillusionment: A German Oil Company's Bid for Souédie

Nicholas Ostrum, Stony Brook University

Standardizing the Bayou: How Technology, Labor and Land Forged Louisiana's

Oil Boom, 1901-1920

Henry Wiencek, University of Texas at Austin

**Comment:** Benjamin Johnson, Loyola University Chicago

**Moderator:** Carl Ewald, Loyola University Chicago

### 2:45-4:30 p.m.

# Monuments and Memory

Corboy Law Center 207

**Papers:** Volunteer Historians: The Value of Amateurs in Public History

Jennifer Joyce, New York University

A Comparison of Immigrant Perception and Experience

Mia Michael, Marquette University

Interpreting the African American Experience: Slavery, Civil War, and

Reconstruction in Jackson County, Alabama, 1819-1870

Brad Miller, Middle Tennessee State University

**Comment:** Theodore Karamanski, Loyola University Chicago **Moderator:** Matthew Sawicki, Loyola University Chicago

### 2:45-4:30 p.m.

# Race and Space in Urban America

Corboy Law Center 208

**Papers:** "Raising a Big Stink:" Urban Space, Energy Conflict, and the Detroit Incinerator

Chelsea Denault, Loyola University Chicago

"Oriental Palaces": Chin F. Foin, Chinese-American Restaurants, and

Racialized Space in Chicago, 1903-1929 Samuel King, University of South Carolina

The Voice of Society's Basement: The Hobo Press and Transient Men Making

Space on the Bowery, 1930-1965

Nathan Tye, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Comment:** Elliot Gorn, Loyola University Chicago

**Moderator:** Margaret McClain, Loyola University Chicago

### 2:45-4:30 p.m.

### Radicalism and Reaction in Twentieth-Century America

Corboy Law Center 209

**Papers:** Toledo's Students for a Democratic Society: Violent Radicals or Peaceful Protesters

Nicholas Brown, University of Toledo

A White House Front with Honest Convictions: The Citizens' Committee for Peace with Freedom in Vietnam and the Johnson Administration, 1967-1968

Mitchell Smith, Ohio University

College and Welfare Protests, Suburban Responses, and State Legislator Actions: The Making of the Silent Majority in Madison, Wisconsin 1966-1972

Ian Toller-Clark, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana

**Comment:** Christopher Manning, Loyola University Chicago

Moderator: Devin Hunter, Loyola University Chicago

### 2:45-4:30 p.m.

Public History Roundtable:

Interpreting "Others" on Jekyll Island: A Voice for Workers, Women, and Children Corboy Law Center 305

Panel: This roundtable features five graduate students from Middle Tennessee State

University who will discuss exhibits they produced for Jekyll Island National Historic Landmark District and the challenges they encountered in their attempts to interpret overlooked Jekyll Island inhabitants. After their presentations, the roundtable will open up to audience discussion of the

challenges that historians face in interpreting underrepresented voices in public

history.

**Presenters:** Caleb Knies, Middle Tennessee State University

Rachel Lewis, Middle Tennessee State University Kayla Pressley, Middle Tennessee State University Jenna Stout, Middle Tennessee State University

Olivia Lane Tillner, Middle Tennessee State University

**Moderator:** Elizabeth Fraterrigo, Loyola University Chicago

# 4:45-5:45 p.m. *Reception and Awards*

Kasbeer Hall, 15th Floor

**Awards:** Katherine Macica, HGSA President

Prizes will be awarded to the top two presentations, plus an honorable mention for

the top Loyola presentation

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

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

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