INTERSECTIONS AND CROSSINGS

A JOINT MEETING OF THE WESTERN CANADIAN STUDIES CONFERENCE AND THE NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS HISTORY CONFERENCE

VICTORIA INN, BRANDON, MANITOBA

SEPTEMBER 25 – 28, 2019

PROGRAM

Wednesday, September 25, 7:00 p.m.

Roundtable: Woman Suffrage on the (Broadly-Defined) Northern Great Plains (WHIG* session) Salon 1

Moderator: Sarah Carter, University of Alberta

- Bethany Andreasen, Minot State University
- Kristin Mapel Bloomberg, Hamline University
- Kelly Kirk, Black Hills State University
- Molly P. Rozum, University of South Dakota
- Lori Ann Lahlum, Minnesota State University, Mankato
- Gerard Boychuk, University of Waterloo

Thursday, September 26, 9:00 a.m.

Protest and Activism on the Canadian Prairies 1969-1978 Salon 2

Chair: James Mochoruk, University of North Dakota

- Cheryl Troupe, University of Saskatchewan, “Operation Flour Power: The Unlikely Partnership of Metis Activists and Prairie Farmers”
• Laura Larsen, University of Saskatchewan, “‘This is my home’: Prairie Farmers Protesting Railway Line Abandonment, 1970-1978

**African Military History (SMH* session)** Room 117

Chair: Jerry Martin, Independent Scholar

• Anotida Chikumbu, University of Massachusetts, “‘From Combatants to Contractors’: The Role Played By War Veterans in the Development of Post-War Societies in Southern Rhodesia (Colonial Zimbabwe),” c.1919-1939
• Taurai Madziise, University of Zimbabwe, “The Welfare of War ‘Collaborators’ in Post-Independence Zimbabwe”

**United States Politics** Private Dining Room

Chair: William H. Mulligan, Jr., Murray State University

• Charles M. Barber, Northeastern Illinois University, “‘Mr. Smith’s’ Real Trial by Fire: William Langer before the U.S. Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, November 3-18, 1941”
• Luis da Vinha, Valley City State University, “Making Transitions Great Again! The Trump Presidential Transition Process in Historical Comparison”

**Roundtable: The Public Humanities: Reaching beyond the Ivory Tower** Salon 3

Chair: Steven Robinson, Brandon University

• Nikki Berg Burin, University of North Dakota
• Eric Burin, University of North Dakota
• David Haeseline, University of North Dakota
• Bill Caraher, University of North Dakota

**Thursday, September 26, 11:00 a.m.**

**Fur Trade, Parks, and Indigenous Space** Room 117

Chair: Robert Coutts, University of Winnipeg

• Mark Spence, Oregon State University, “The Plains Between: Fur Trade History in Borderlands of the Missouri River and Hudson Bay Drainages”

• Robert Vranich, University of Alberta, “Structures of Invasion”: Settler Colonialism and Canada’s Earliest National Parks, 1885-1930”

**People and Environments** Salon 3

Chair: Alison Marshall, Brandon University

• Jonathan Hedeen, Chippewa Valley Technical College, “Paradise of Imagination: Francis Parkman’s View of the Natural World and his Conception of North American History”

• Royden Loewen, University of Winnipeg, “Climate Change Vernaculars: Contrasting Mennonite Farmers from Manitoba and Iowa”

• Linda Louise Bryan, Independent Scholar, “Pembina on the Red River: Elastic Demographics During the Minnesota Territorial Period (1848-1864)”

**Violence, Gender, and Age in Early Twentieth-Century Manitoba** Salon 2

Chair: Erin Millions, University of Winnipeg

• Kathryn McPherson, York University, “Empire’s Children: Patriarchy, Violence, and Youth in Rural Manitoba, 1870-1914”

• Rhonda Hinther, Brandon University, “Putting Early Twentieth-Century Prairie Sex Workers on Screen”

• Morganna Malyon, Brandon University, “Domestic Violence on the Canadian Prairies during World War I: The Efficacy of Case Study Research”

**Wartime** Private Dining Room

Chair: Perry Hornbacher, Bismarck State College

• Jonathan Soucek, Purdue Univesity, “The End of the U.S.- War and the Beginning of Emancipation: Rethinking the Freedom Narrative of the Civil War”

• Rebecca Lazarenko, York University, “The effect of the French linguistic crises on the French Canadians during the First World War”

• William H. Mulligan, Jr., Murray State University, “A Small Town and the Great War: Northborough, Massachusetts, 100 Percent Americanism, and World War I”

Comment: Harl Dalstrom, University of Nebraska at Omaha
Thursday, September 26, 12:45 – 2:00 p.m.

**Society for Military History luncheon** Room 134

By reservation at registration

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Thursday, September 26, 2:00 p.m.

**Confronting Settler Colonialism in Western Canada** Salon 3

Chair: Kelly Saunders, Brandon University

- Gerald Friesen, University of Manitoba, “Ethical Judgments: The Honourable John Norquay, Premier of Manitoba, 1878-1887”
- Eric Schiffmann, University of Regina, “White Conceptions of Metis Identity: Patrick Riel and The First World War”

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**Modernism** Private Dining Room

Chair: Christy Henry, Brandon University

- Greg Bak, University of Manitoba, “Initiating a Digital Culture in Manitoba: Robert Bury Ferguson and Ferut, 1952-1956”
- Michael J. Mullin, Augustana University, “I want to congratulate you on all the work you did in bringing the EROS program to Sioux Falls”

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**Complicating the Midwest: Diverse Twentieth Century Experiences in Central Minnesota** Room 117

Chair: Robert W. Galler, Jr., St. Cloud State University

- Kayla Stielow, St. Cloud State University, “Agency and Engagement: Japanese Americans in Central Minnesota during World War II”
- Kyle J. Imdieke, St. Cloud State University, “‘Born of Hunger’: The Growth of Diversity at an Upper Midwest University, 1908-2018”
- Mohamed Mohamud, St. Cloud State University, “The Various Experiences and Challenges of Somali Immigrants in Central Minnesota”

Comment: Betsy Glade, St. Cloud State University
Votes for Women on the Northern Great Plains (WHIG session) Salon 2

Chair: Morganna Malyon, Brandon University

- Elizabeth J. Almlie, South Dakota State Historical Society, “Stories of Place and the Equal Suffrage Movement in South Dakota”
- Gerard Boychuk, University of Waterloo, Path(s) to Suffrage?: Female Enfranchisement in the Northern Plains States, 1910-1920
- Kristin Mapel Bloomberg, Hamline University, “Culture, Community, and Strategies for Collective Action Among Nebraska Suffragists in the 1870s and 1880s”

Thursday, September 26, 6:00 p.m.

Conference Reception

John E. Robbins Library, Brandon University

Friday, September 27, 9:00 a.m.

Roundtable: The State of Canadian Prairie History Salon 2

Chair: Betsy Jameson, University of Calgary

- Robert Coutts, *Manitoba History*
- Sarah Carter, University of Alberta
- Rhonda Hinther, Brandon University
- Adele Perry, University of Manitoba
- Cheryl Troupe, University of Saskatchewan

Rethinking the Gilded Age and Progressive Era in U.S. History (Undergraduate session) Private Dining Room

Chair: Robert W. Galler, St Cloud State University

- Sonya Smetana, St. Cloud State University, “Oppression and Resistance: Chinese Immigrants in the Late 19th Century”
- Jennifer Sonterre, St. Cloud State University, The Impact of the Gilded Age’s Forgotten Presidents and their Policies”
- Jenevieve Jaax, St. Cloud State University, “Native American experiences in the ‘Progressive Era’”
• Andrea Langhoff, St. Cloud State University, “Beyond Suffrage; Women of the Progressive Era”

Global Conflicts Room 117

Chair: Bruce Strang, Brandon University

• Tony Mullis, Angelo State University, “Casus Bovine: Cattle and Conflict on Two Frontiers”

Ancient and Medieval Warfare (SMH session) Salon 3

Chair: Jonathan Epstein, City University of New York

• Dina Khedr, City University of New York, “Roman Belief on Just War Manifested in The Gallic Wars”
• Pedro Panera Martinez, General Gutiérrez Mellado University Institute, “The Relevance of Women Warriors in the Middle Ages: Some Perspectives from the Contemporary Thought and Examples of Their Performance in Battle Actions”
• Lucian Staiano-Daniels, UCLA, “Two Weeks in Summer: A Microhistorical Case Study of Soldiers and Civilians during the Thirty Years War”

Friday, September 27, 11:00 a.m.

Empire and Diversity (Undergraduate session) Room 217

Chair and Comment: Luis da Vinha, Valley City State University

• Abhinav Sinha, University of Minnesota, Morris, “The Indigo Plantations of Bihar”
• Madeline Bennett, Valley City State University, “Assessing State Partition as a Conflict Management Strategy in Sub-Saharan Africa”

The U.S.-Canada Border Salon 2

Chair: Francis Carroll, University of Manitoba

• Katie Pollock, Canadian Museum of History, “Indigenous Women’s Borderland Cottage Industry”
Communities Room 117

Chair: Kathryn McPherson, York University

- Patricia Harms, Brandon University, “Voices in the Wind: Spanish Speaking Immigrants in Brandon”
- Jon G. Malek, Western University, “Stitching the Mosaic: The Winnipeg Garment Industry and Filipino Immigration to Canada”
- Jim Mochoruk, University of North Dakota, “The Children’s Home of Winnipeg: Changing Patterns in the ‘Relations of Rescue’”

The Great War and the Great Plains (SMH session) Salon 3

Chair and Comment: Mike Burns, South Dakota Historical Society

- Johannes Allert, Rogers State University, “‘Hard to Tame, but Willing to Go’: Minnesotans in Foreign Service During the Great War”
- Terrence Lindell, Wartburg College, “Letters from Camp: World War I Soldiers Write Home to Bremer County, Iowa”
- George Eaton, U.S. Army Sustainment Command, “Rock Island Arsenal and the 1910 Infantry Equipment Board”

New Books, New Directions on the Northern Plains Private Dining Room

Chair: Suzzanne Kelley, North Dakota State University Press

- Sean J. Flynn, Dakota Wesleyan University, Without Reservation: Benjamin Reifel and American Indian Acculturation, South Dakota State Historical Society Press
- David D. Vail, University of Nebraska–Kearney, Chemical Lands: Pesticides, Aerial Spraying, and Health in North America’s Grasslands since 1945, University of Alabama Press
- Thomas D. Isern, North Dakota State University, Pacing Dakota, North Dakota State University Press

Comment: Molly P. Rozum, University of South Dakota

Friday, September 27, 12:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Women’s History Interest Group luncheon Room 134

By reservation at registration
Friday, September 27, 2:00 p.m.

Institutions Salon 3

Chair: Tom Mitchell, Brandon University

- Christopher Kotecki, Archives of Manitoba, “Hospital Development in Manitoba 1870-1960”
- Kylie Stasila Therrien, University of Winnipeg, “Toronto’s Zoos as Cultural Institutions”
- Kellian Clink, Minnesota State University, Mankato, “A History of the Jim Chalgren LGBT Center at Minnesota State University, Mankato”

Politics and Culture (Undergraduate session) Room 117

Chair and Comment: Mark Harvey, North Dakota State University

- Gabrielle Myers, Valley City State University, “Rejecting Environmental Science and Evidence-Based Policy-Making”
- Brandi Adams, University of Regina, “Teaching Women to Shop: Consumer Culture and the Regina Home Economics Club in the Postwar Era”
- Casey Marie Daigle, Minot State University, “Lavender Menace: Communism, Homosexuality, and the Nuclear Family”

Woman Activists in the Suffrage Era (WHIG session) Salon 2

Chair: Betsy Jameson, University of Calgary

- Lori Ann Lahlum, Minnesota State University, Mankato, “Prettiest Picket: Beulah Amidon: North Dakotan and National Woman’s Party Activist”
- Jennifer Helton, Ohlone College, “Wyoming’s Estelle Reel: Women’s Rights and Settler Colonialism”

Training and Modern Warfare (SMH session) Private Dining Room

Chair and Comment Robert Nash, Independent Scholar

- Jerome Martin, Independent Scholar, “Air Training in Nebraska in World War II”
• Taylor Hamblin, University of Nebraska, “An Unfollowed Doctrine: Post-TRADOC Teaching and Learning in the Army”

Friday, September 27, 6:00 p.m.

Conference Reception (cash bar) Grand Salon B

Friday, September 27, 7:00 p.m.

Conference Banquet and Keynote Address Grand Salon B

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• Sarah Carter, University of Alberta, “Settler Colonial Suffragists and the Prairie Campaigns”

Saturday, September 28, 9:00 a.m.

Whiteness and History in Western Canada Salon 1

Chair: Anne Lindsay, University of Manitoba

• Shelisa Klassen, University of Manitoba, “Whiteness, Land, and Immigration in Manitoba Newspapers, 1870-1890”
• Ryan Eyford, University of Winnipeg, “White Settler Historian: R.B. Hill and the History of Manitoba”
• Adele Perry, University of Manitoba, “Whiteness, Colonialism, and Pluralism in Postwar Western Canadian History”

Urban Spaces Salon 2

Chair: Jon G. Malek, Western University,

• Dale Barbour, Brandon University, “Muddied Waters: The Social and Environmental Transformation of Winnipeg’s Red and Assiniboine Rivers, 1900-1972”
• Thomas Saylor, Concordia University, “Visions of the Suburban Future: Building Jonathan”
• Alison Marshall, Brandon University and Brian Mayes, City Councillor, City of Winnipeg, “The Death and Life of Canadian Suburbs? Implicit Urban Religion in City Planning”
Teaching Joint and Combined Operations at the U.S. Air Force Academy (SMH session)
Private Dining Room

Chair and Comment: Douglas Kennedy, U.S. Air Force Academy

- Tony Rush, U.S. Air Force Academy, “The Only Thing Worse Than Fighting with Allies is Fighting Without Them: A Pedagogical Examination of How Combined Operations are Taught to USAFA Cadets”
- Myles Smith, U.S. Air Force Academy, “Combined and Joint Operations in Korea: A Case Study in UN Coalition Fighting”
- Jason Naaktgeboren, U.S. Air Force Academy, “From the Arctic to Afghanistan: The Canadian-U.S. Partnership in a Coalition World”

Echos of the Premodern Salon 3

Chair: David Winter, Brandon University

- Jacob Fager, Minnesota State University, Mankato, “Norse North America: Theories and Traditions of Norse Vinland”
- Sarah Fischer, Minnesota State University, Mankato, “Redefining English Kingship: The Role of the Nobility in the Glorious Revolution”
- Hans Peter Broedel, University of North Dakota, “How the Sea Serpent Survived: the Epistemological Value of Science, Testimony and Popular Culture in the Late 19th and Early 20th Centuries”

Saturday, September 28, 11:00 a.m.

Building and Sustaining Communities Private Dining Room

Chair: Michael J. Mullin, Augustana University

- Karen Brglez, University of Winnipeg, “Land Surveying, Settler Communities, and Constructing German-Canadian Spaces on the Prairies: The Case of William Wagner, 1871-1885”
- Mel Prewitt, Eastern Iowa Community College, “Bordertown: Gretna, Manitoba and the German Normal School”
- Virginia Torrie, University of Manitoba, “Farm Debt Compromises, 1930s-1940s: An Empirical Study of Case Files from Manitoba and Ontario”

Transnationalism Salon 1

Chair: James Naylor, Brandon University

- Toru Shinoda, Waseda University, Japan, “Neither European, Nor American: Why Canadian and Japanese Socialist Parties Matter”
• Klára Kolinská, Metropolitan University Prague, “If only they’d stop waiting…” Staging Western Canadian Drama in Central Europe
• Kelly O’Dea, University of South Dakota, “Eastern Block Response to the 1973 Wounded Knee Occupation: A Study of the Cultural Significance of Indigenous Activism in East Germany”

Belief and Disbelief Salon 2
Chair: Patricia Harms, Brandon University

• David J. Grettler, Northern State University, “The Dakota Presbytery and Native American Missionaries on the Pine Ridge Reservation, 1895-1925”
• Ashleigh Androsoff, University of Saskatchewan, “‘Peace and Freedom’s Triumph’: How Independent Doukhobors Fought Militarism in Saskatchewan, 1940-1965”
• Thomas Tandy Lewis, St. Cloud, MN, “Freedom to Blaspheme in the United States: A Short History”

The Continuing Centennial: The Great War in History and Memory (SMH session) Salon 3
Chair and Comment: George Eaton, U.S. Army Sustainment Command

• Jonathan Epstein, City University of New York, “Turmoil at the Top: Albert, King of the Belgians, his War Minister Charles de Broqueville, and French Intervention during the Great War”
• Rose-Ethel Althaus Meza, Nassau Community College, “The Forgotten Credentialed Medical Women of the Great War”

Saturday Afternoon, September 28, at the Commonwealth Air Training Museum:

Society for Military History Reception and Tour, including:

Historical Perspectives on the Royal Canadian Air Force (SMH session)
Chair and Comment: Chris Rein, Air University Press

• Robert Nash, Independent Scholar, “402 (City of Winnipeg) Squadron: From D-Day to Market Garden”
• Alexander Fitzgerald-Black, Juno Beach Centre Association, “Eagles over Husky: The Allied Air Forces and the Sicilian Campaign”
NOTE:

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