



Urban, Environmental, and Built Histories

73rd Meeting of the New York State Association of European Historians

October 13-14, 2023

St. Francis College, New York, NY

Friday, October 13, 2023
St. Francis College
179 Livingston St, Brooklyn, NY 11201

5-6: Welcome Reception (Location TBA)

6-7: Dinner (Location TBA)

7-8: James S. Valone Lecture (Location TBA)

“Summer in the City: Researching Climate in the Urban Environment”
Dr. Kara Schlichting

Kara Schlichting is an Associate Professor of History at Queens College, CUNY. She earned her PhD from Rutgers University in 2014. Her work in late-19th and 20th-century American History sits at the intersection of urban, environmental, and political history, with a particular focus on property regimes and regional planning in greater New York City. Schlichting is a co-editor of the H-Environment Roundtable Reviews. Schlichting's 2019 book ***New York Recentered: Building the Metropolis from the Shore*** is part of the University of Chicago Press's History of Urban America series. Her teaching interests range from the history of 1960s America, the city in American history, the history of New York City, and environmental history. Her new research on tideland property development investigates how legal theory, coastal resiliency planning, and land politics shape American waterfronts.

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8-9: Registration

9-10:30: Session 1

1A. Urban, Experienced, and Built Histories

Location: TBD

Chair: Kara Schlichtling (Queens College, CUNY)

- Marcia Esteves Agostinho (University of Rochester), “The 1851 London Great Exhibition and Brazil’s Self-esteem”
- Aidan Lilienfeld (Columbia University), “Japanese in London under the 1902 Anglo-Japan Treaty”
- Daniel Falcone (St. John’s University), “Giuseppe Garibaldi in NYC”
- Mara Oliva (University of Reading), “The City Of Tomorrow: Urban Futures At The New York World’s Fair Of 1939”

1B. Transatlantic Histories of Espionage and Trade

Location: TBD

Chair: Michael Guzik (LeMoyne College)

- David Devereux (Canisius University), “Stars Crossed: Superliners, Cunard, and the Demise of the White Star Line”
- Oliver Griffin (St. John Fisher University), “From Berlin to Berlin: Six Decades of Trans-Atlanticism”
- Heribert von Feilitzsch (independent scholar) and Charles Harris (New Mexico State University), “A 100-Year Cover-Up: The Disappearance of the Albert Briefcase”
- John Bragg (New Jersey City University), “The Trans-Mediterranean Origins of U.S. Consular Protections”

1C. Imperialism and Anti-Semitism in Nineteenth-Century France

Location: TBD

Chair: Julie Gilbert (Canisius College)

- Andrew Kotick (Pratt Institute/Fordham University), “*Le Rire*, Charles Léandre, and the Dreyfus Affair, 1894-1900”
- Nick Charnley (University of Albany), “‘Nothing like it Existed’: the Old Foreign Legion and France, 1831-34”
- Mounira Kechida (CUNY), “A War of Words in the French Parliament, as Algeria Burned”

10:30-11: Coffee/Tea Break

Location: TBA

11-12:30: Session 2

2A. Identity and Education from Antiquity to the Medieval Period

Location: TBD

Chair: Lyn Blanchfield (SUNY Oswego)

- Giovanna Colasanto (Independent Scholar), “Anthimus’ Epistula & Eating to be a ‘Roman’ Ruler”
- Georgia Frank (Colgate University), “Building a Better Christian: Urban Workshops and Early Medieval Baptismal Rites”
- Michael Vargas (State University of New York at New Paltz), “Building English and American Medievalist Infrastructure for Canadian Children: Notes on Some Nineteenth-Century Holdings of the Osborne Children’s Library in Toronto”

2B. Building and Contextualizing the History of the Holocaust: An Interdisciplinary Approach

Location: TBD

Chair: Jennifer Sovde (SUNY Canton)

- John Gross (Farmingdale State College), “GIS and Early Modern Anti-Semitism”
- Jeffrey Gaab (Farmingdale State College), “‘Resettlement’ and Return: Munich as a Holocaust Case Study”
- Timothy Nicholson (Farmingdale State College), “New Pedagogical Issues and Approaches when Examining the Holocaust”

2C. Mediterranean Histories of Medicine, Colonialism, and Feminism

Location: TBD

Chair: Tanya Blakely-Clark (University at Buffalo)

- Caroline Barraco (Syracuse University), “Relics, Commodification, and Imperialism in the Letters of Luisa de Carvajal y Mendoza”
- Jessica Hogbin (Syracuse University), “Death in Cortona: Debate on Proper Medical Care in Seventeenth-Century Tuscany”
- Diana Moore (City University of New York), “A Feminist Anti-Catholicism?: Women and the Anti-Vatican Council in 1870”
- William Kaiser (St. John’s University), “In Rome’s Image: Surveying the Relics of Fascist Italian Colonial Planning”

12:30-2: Lunch & Business Meeting, Location TBA

2-3:30: Session 3

3A. War, Leadership, and Memory

Location: TBD

Chair: Rhiannon Dowling (Lehman College)

- Michael Marino (The College of New Jersey), “Remembering the First World War: Changing Memories and Evolving Interpretations”
- Mustafa Gokcek (Niagara University), “Ataturk and Lenin: A Comparative Analysis of Revolutionary Leadership”
- Eileen Lyon (SUNY Fredonia), “Christmas in Nazi Concentration Camps”

3B. Roundtable: What’s Next? Strategies for Scholarship

Location: TBD

Chair: Averill Earls (St. Olaf College)

Participants:

- Tabetha Ewing (Bard College)
- Rick Fogarty (The University at Albany)
- Jeff Horn (Manhattan College)
- Brian Newsome (Georgia College & State University)

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