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Friday, October 11, 2013

8:00-9:00  Registration

Session 1
Panels 1-4
9:00-10:30

Panel 1  Eighteenth-Century Ideas

Chair/ Commentator:  Caroline Hotchandani, Northwestern University

No Rest for the Wicked: Soul Sleep and the Enlightenment in the Mortalist Debate: 1750-1770
Kara Barr, The Ohio State University

Private Property and the Anti-Jacobin Defense of Liberty and the Nation
Mark Zunac, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Mary Wollstonecraft’s Gender Confusion: Integrating Subjectivity and the Good for Social Creatures
Katie LaPlant, Bowling Green State University

Panel 2  Representations of the Great War

Chair/ Commentator:  TBA

Challenging the Politics of Experience: Vernon Lee and the Great War
Christine Haskill, Western Michigan University

The Great War in Comedy: an Examination of Black Adder Goes Forth and the First World War
Aneesh Tiberius Murali-Mohan, University of Western Ontario

Panel 3  Digital Humanities and British Women Writers from Behn to Rossetti

Chair/Commentator:  Jonathan Gross, DePaul University

Panelists:
Carrie Mocarski, DePaul University
Rebecca Rivers, DePaul University
Jeffrey Smith, DePaul University
Shannon Smith, DePaul University

Panel 4  Britain and America: Influences
Chair/Commentator: **TBA**

**Thackeray and America: Comparing Empires**
Susan E. Ray, Delaware County Community College

**William Gladstone as American Icon, 1898**
Stephen Peterson, University of Stirling, Scotland

**The Thing Distilled: Claude McKay as Racial and Sexual Prima Materia in the Alchemy of Poetry**
Lisa Jennings, Florida State University

**Session 2**
**Panels 5-8**  
**10:45-12:15**

**Panel 5**  **In Honor of Walter Arnstein: Soldiers, Sailors and Civilians:**  
**Perspectives on Political/Civil/Military Relationships in 19th century Britain**

Chair/Commentator: Daniel Ussishkin, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**George III and British Army Fashion in the Age of Sartorial Transition**  
Scott Hughes Myerly, University of Southern Indiana

**John Bull and Civilian Attitudes towards the Army in Nineteenth-Century Popular Culture**  
Tamara L. Hunt, University of Southern Indiana

**Maritime Policing and the ‘Pax Britannica’: the Liberal State and Naval Policy, 1820-1890**  
John Beeler, University of Alabama

**Panel 6**  **The Body in Stuart Scotland and Britain**

Chair/Commentator: Rebecca Buccola, Roosevelt University

**Martyrdom, Memory and the Corpse: The Visual Culture of Bloodfeud in Early Modern Scotland**  
Terri Sabatos, Longwood University

**"We are really foreigners ourselves": The Traveler’s Body and National Identity in Late Stuart Britain**  
Kathryn N. McDaniel, Marietta College

**A Take My Part and Quit You: Early Modern Jacobean Women and The Not So Common Dol in Ben Jonson's The Alchemist**  
Wendy Maier-Sarti, Oakton Community College

**Panel 7**  **Policies and Empire, East and West**

Chair/Commentator: Lia Paradis, Slippery Rock University
Defining “Tolerable Comfort” in 1920s Malaya: The Indian Immigration Committee and the Trans-Regional Politics of Wage Labor
Tiffany Trimmer, University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse

Animals and the Army: the Introduction of Western Veterinary Practices in British India
Rajit K. Mazumder, DePaul University

Contagious and Contentious Subjects: Tuberculosis in British Colonial Jamaica, 1928-1940
Darcy Hughes Heuring, University of Chicago

Panel 8    Contemporary British Writing

Chair/Commentator: David Babcock, Harvard University

Bond Girls and Black Velvet: Evolution of the Male Gaze in British Spy Novels
Celia M. Kingsbury, University of Central Missouri

The Representation of Scotland in Mass Market US Romance Fiction
Euan Hague, DePaul University

Rewriting the Nation: the Contemporary Black British Novel as Transatlantic Biography
Priya Purohit, Indiana University, Bloomington

12:15-1:30    Lunch

Tour of the Scottish Home and the Scottish-American Hall of Fame Museum, organized by the Illinois St. Andrew’s Society, established in 1845 to aid Scots in Illinois and the oldest registered charity in IL. Contact ehauge@depaul.edu to register; pre-registered participants only.

Session 3
Panels 9-12
1:45-3:15

Panel 9    In Honor of Walter Arnstein: Teaching and Advising: Lessons from the Career of Walter L. Arnstein

Chair/Commentator: James Sack, University of Illinois at Chicago

Walter Arnstein: Appreciative Advisor
Michael H. Shirley, Eastern Illinois University

Walter Arnstein and the Elements of Course Design and Delivery
Stephen C. Shafer, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Walter Arnstein and Interdisciplinarity
Chet DeFonso, Northern Michigan University
Panel 10  
Death, Monsters, and the Succession: Fears and Anxieties in Elizabethan Song

Chair/Commentator: TBA

‘...When Thou in Dust Art Laid’: Elizabethan Musical Elegies as Commentaries on the Afterlife
K. Dawn Grapes, Colorado State University

The Great Abuse and Vice that Here in England Doth Reign: Succession Anxiety and Monstrous Birth Ballads in Elizabethan England
William Ross Hagen, Utah Valley University

Musical Depictions of Mary Queen of Scots as Susanna by William Byrd
Jeremy L. Smith, University of Colorado at Boulder

Panel 11  
Contests of Empire: Augustan England

Chair/Commentator: Rupali Mishra, Auburn University

Money and Empire: The Failure of the Royal African Company
Robin Hermann, University of Louisiana-Lafayette

Slavery and the National Interest: Britain, Empire, and the Asiento, c.1700-1720
Abigail Swingen, Texas Tech University

Too Big to Fail: The East India Company and Monopolies on Trade in the Late Seventeenth Century
Steven Schrum, Washington University in St. Louis

Panel 12  
Stages of National Identity: International Politics, Literature, and Performance in Britain from the Late 19th Century - 1930s

Chair/Commentator: Dan L. LeMahieu, Lake Forest College

Translating Vampires: 19th Century Vampire Tales, and the Politics of National Identity and Alienation
Alison Bright MacWilliams, Independent Scholar

Theatre at the Front, the Lena Ashwell Players: How Touring Productions Sparked Nationalism and Rallied Troop Morale During WWI
Lisa M. Kelly, Northwestern University

Selling the "Peace International": C. B. Cochran, Maurice Browne, and Hamlet, 1930
Emily VanBuren, Northwestern University

Session 4
Panels 13-16
3:30-5:00
Panel 13  **British Studies Sources in the Chicago Area**

Chair: Lisa Sigel and Eugene Beiringer, DePaul University

Archivists and curators from the Newberry Library, the Center for Research Libraries, and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will come to discuss the variety of sources on British and British imperials studies that are available. They will discuss the range of micro-sources, digital, manuscript, published, and periodical holdings.

Panel 14  **Off the Easel: Two Papers on British Visual Culture**

Chair/Commentator: Susan McGury, DePaul University

"caricature untrammeled": Tegg's Regency Satire  
Christina Smylitopoulos, University of Guelph

A Thousand and One Designs: Near Eastern Influence on British Decorative Art, 1850-1910  
Carlotta Falzone Robinson, California State University, East Bay

Panel 15  **Nineteenth-Century Women Writers and Their Subjects**

Chair/Commentator: Margaret Stetz, University of Delaware

The Anatomy of "A Good Eddication": Hegemonic Masculinity as Bildung in *The Mill on the Floss*  
Kristy Tenbus, University of Central Missouri

The Navy and the Self-Made Gentleman in Jane Austen's *Persuasion*  
Shaunna Wilkinson, Marquette University

Harriet Martineau, Political Economy, and Patronage  
Ashley Nicole Nelson, University of Oklahoma

Panel 16  **Monarchy in Public, 1688-1789**

Chair: R.O. Bucholz, Loyola University Chicago  
Commentator: Michael B. Young, Illinois Wesleyan University

The Royal Martyr and the 'Keeping of the Day': Monarchy, Memory and Rebellion in Late Stuart England  
Kaitlin Pontzer, Cornell University

"Share with me in my Grief and Affliction": Royal Mourning in the Public Sphere, 1702-1727  
Amy Oberlin, Loyola University Chicago

A Prince, Print, and Privacy in Eighteenth-Century England  
Steven Catania, Loyola University Chicago
5:30-7:30  MWCBS Reception and Plenary Address

Plenary Address:  "The Terrible Ifs: How Winston Churchill Resolved the Cuban Missile Crisis"
Professor Jonathan Rose, Drew University

Saturday, October 12, 2013

Session 5
Panels 17-20
8:30-10:00

Panel 17  Seventeenth-Century Visions of Faith, Calamity, and Apocalypse

Chair/Commentator:  Kathryn N. McDaniel, Marietta College

Apocalyptic Maps and Expectations of the End in Early Modern England
Warren Johnston, Algoma University

Eleutheria: a Utopian Project in the Bahamas during the English Revolution
Ariel Hessayon, University of London

A Popish Herald: Navigating Piety and Superstition under the Comet of 1680
Laura Bland, University of Notre Dame

Panel 18  The Formulation and Implementation of British Naval Policy in the Victorian and Edwardian Eras, 1838-1914

Chair/Commentator:  John Beeler, University of Alabama

A Deliberate Choice of Deterrence: Foreign Office and Admiralty Cooperation in the Early Victorian Period
Rebecca Matzke, Ripon College

Explaining Strategic Behavior: British Naval Intelligence and the Intellectual Underpinnings of Modern British Sea Power in the late Victorian Era
Rob Mullins, Executive Vice President, Cobham plc

The Admiralty, Public Relations, and Imperial Defense in the Edwardian Era
John C. Mitcham, Samford University

Panel 19  Extreme Spaces and Liminal Media: Music in Britain, 1840-1940

Chair/Commentator:  Linda Austern, Northwestern University

The Language of Domesticity: Victorian Opera Ballads on the Stage and in the Drawing Room
Alison Mero, Indiana University
Private Mourning in the English Country House During the First World War: Lady Alda Hoare's Musical Shrine to a Lost Son
Michelle Meinhart, Xavier University

Broadcasting National Music: The BBC and the Construction of 'Englishness' in the Interwar Years
Emily Hoyler, Northwestern University

Panel 20  
Was it a New World? The Nature of Popular Politics and Religion during the Interregnum

Chair/Commentator: Robin Hermann, University of Louisiana-Lafayette

An Appeal to Caesar Humbly Present
Amos Tubb, Centre College

Produce, Protest, and Partisan Politics: The Cheapside Riot of 1657
Caroline Boswell, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

Martyrdom, Religious Toleration, and Popular Politics in Interregnum England
Nicole Greenspan, Hampden-Sydney College

Session 6
Panels 21-24
10:15-11:45

Panel 21  
Innovative Teaching Strategies: a Roundtable

Witchcraft in the Digital Age: Adventures in an Online Village
Jennifer McNabb, Western Illinois University

Teaching the Troubles: The Murals of Belfast, Google Earth and HistoryPin
Lia Paradis, Slippery Rock University

No Future: Teaching Realism and Dystopia in Contemporary British Literature, Film and Popular Music
Robert Martínez, Eastern Illinois University

Panel 22  
Organizing Women in the Late 19th and Early 20th Centuries

Chair/Commentator: Susie Steinbach, Hamline University

Domestic Servants and Class Struggle, 1870-1911
Anna Clark, University of Minnesota

"Back to the Land": Pastoralism in the Movement for Women's Agricultural Education at the Turn of the Twentieth Century
Donald Opitz, DePaul University, School for New Learning,
Portrait of a Lady: 'Selling' Land Girls in First World War Britain
Bonnie White, Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland

Panel 23  Anti-Popery in the British Atlantic World, 1680-1700
Chair/Commentator: Melinda S. Zook, Purdue University
Beyond Britons: Anti-Popery and Identity in the Late-Stuart Anglophone World
Newton Key, Eastern Illinois University
"More Like Furies of Hell": Anti-Popery and the Glorious Revolution in Scotland
Ryan Burns, Northwestern University
The Politics of Fear: State Formation and Anti-Popery in Williamite England
Scott Sowerby, Northwestern University

Panel 24  Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century Criminality in Fact and Fiction
Chair/Commentator: Isaac Land, Indiana State University
Searching for the Culpable Vagrant during the Long Eighteenth Century
William Olejniczak, The College of Charleston
Reformative Sympathy in 19th-Century Crime Fiction
Erica McCrystal, St. John's University
Criminality and Ethnic Identity in Victorian London
Mandi Barnard, University of Kansas, Lawrence

12:00-12:45  Luncheon, Business Meeting
12:45-2:00  Graduate Student Award(s) and Keynote Address

Keynote Address: "'Every Inch not a King': The Bodies of the (First Two) Hanoverians"
Robert Bucholz, Professor, Loyola University Chicago

Session 6
Panels 25-28
2:15-3:45

Panel 25  Politics, Finance and Warfare in Stuart England
Chair/Commentator: Caroline Boswell, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
The bankruptcy of Caroline England, 1627-9
Simon Healy, History of Parliament Trust, London
The Impotency of the Caroline Regime, 1638-40
Mark Fissel, Georgia Regents University
English Royal Forests and the Anglo-Dutch Wars
Sara Morrison, Brescia University College at Western University

Panel 26 War and Identity in the Context of Mid-Twentieth-Century Conflicts
Chair/Commentator: Eugene Beiriger, DePaul University

"More English than the English": the Crisis of Citizenship and Identity in England after World War II
Nicole M. Jackson, Bowling Green State University

Permanent Military Service for Women: the Spoils of War
Julie Fountain, University of Illinois at Chicago

"X Is a Mystery To Be Solved": Religion, Subjectivity and British Servicemen in the Korean War (1950-1953)
Grace Huxford, University of Warwick

Panel 27 Professionalism, Narrative, and the Evolution of Collective Bodies
Chair: Bethany Shepherd, Adrian College
Commentator: Nasser Mufti, University of Illinois at Chicago

Medical Diagnosis and the Foreign Body in the Nineteenth-Century Serial Novel
Bethany Shepherd, Adrian College

Knowing by Feeling in Darwin and Dracula
Rebecca Summerhays, Harvard College Writing Program

The Politics of "Accidental" Discovery in Amitav Ghosh’s The Calcutta Chromosome
David Babcock, Harvard University

Panel 28 Getting Published: Tips, Strategies, and Pitfalls to Avoid
Chair: Jennifer McNabb, Western Illinois University

Anna Clark, University of Minnesota, former editor of Journal of British Studies
Jonathan Rose, Drew University, editor of Book History
Martin Greig, Ryerson University
Isaac Land, Indiana State University

Session 7
Panels 29-32
4:00-5:30

Panel 29 Cheers! Drink from the Stuarts to the Sixties
Chair: James Sack, University of Illinois at Chicago
Commentator: Audience
"The Ruined Condition of this Revenue on Beer and Ale": The Resistance of Brewers to the Excise on Beer and Ale in Later Stuart London
John Krenzke, Loyola University-Chicago

A Draught of Contention: Nationalism and Class in the Beer Act of 1830
Eric Tenbus, University of Central Missouri

Women and Social Change in the 1950s-60s: the Marketing of Babycham
David Gutzke, Missouri State University

Panel 30 Imperial North America

Commentator/Chair: TBA

"Kill Men for the Devil": Molasses, Rum, and British Imperial Interests in North America, 1650-1750
Kristen D. Burton, University of Texas at Arlington

Misunderstood Allies, Reluctant Enemies: British and Cherokee Interactions in the Seven Years' War
Jessica Wallace, The Ohio State University

"L'histoire dira que Lord Durham a préféré une petite faction, et l'exposera comme une des aberrations humaines de notre époque": How Lord Durham Lost French-Canadian Support, June to October 1838
Maxime Dagenais, McMaster University

Panel 31 Early Modern Scotland
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Chair/Commentator: Cathryn Spence, University of Guelph

English Intervention at the Universities of Scotland, 1651-1655
Salvatore Cipriano, Jr., Fordham University

"I would give him a night's quarters, though he had a man's head under his arm": Hospitality in the Scottish Highlands
Iain Macdonald, University of Glasgow

Adam Smith, Scotland and the Scottish Herring Fishery
John Leazer, Carthage College

Panel 32 Nineteenth-Century Literature: Dickens, Gissing, and Nicoll

Chair/Commentator: Mary Ann Tobin, Triton College

Redefining "British" Authorship: From New Grub Street to the Bookman
Margaret D. Stetz, University of Delaware
Imposing Modesty: Dickens's Mr. Turveydrop as an Outdated "Model of Deportment"
Sarah J. Goldbort, Michigan State University

Dickens, Gissing, and Rhetoric of Knowledge Democracy
David Thiele, University of Mount Union

Sunday, October 13, 2013

Session 9
Panels 33-35
9:00-10:30

Panel 33       Approaches to New Archival Materials and Biography

Comment: Audience

A Clerk's Perspective: Understanding Financial and Social Networks and through Coutts & Co. Accounts
Jodi RB Eastberg, Alverno College

Letters and Household Accounts: A Duchess's Life on Paper
Kathy Callahan, Murray State University

Kenneth Shonk, University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse

Panel 34       Beyond the Bounds of Society: Soldiers, Prostitutes, and the Periphery of Britain, 1550-1918

Chair/Commentator: Jennifer McNabb, Western Illinois University

"Recieued dyuers & sundrye woundes & hurtes for his princes & Cuntrey": The Maintenance of Wounded Soldiers in Early Modern England
Abby Lagemann, University of Colorado at Boulder

Bawds of Bridewell: The Imprisonment of Prostitutes in Early Modern England
Lauren Romero, University of Colorado at Boulder

Our Names on the Tongues of the Entire World: Indian Soldiers on the Western Front
Michael Ortiz, University of Colorado at Boulder

Panel 35       Ideas of Empire and Slavery

Chair/Commentator: TBA

The Aesthetic Culture of Early Modern Entrepreneurship
David Smith, Wilfrid Laurier University

Fashioning an Empire of Feeling: Women, Marriage, Slavery, and Compromise in Adeline Mowbray and The Woman of Colour
Joseph Hughes, Syracuse University

The Role of Public Opinion and Law in Britain's Mission to End the Transatlantic Slave Trade
Catherine Scott, The New School for Social Research  CANCELLED

Session 9
Panels 36-38
10:45-12:15

Panel 36       Marginalized Sexual Cultures in Britain

Chair/Commentator: Lisa Z. Sigel, DePaul University

“Carnalis Copula contra Naturam”: Criminalizing Sexuality in 1533/4
Lesley Skousen, University of Wisconsin-Madison

“An Enormous Business to be Done”: Britain in the Transnational Pornography Trade, 1900-1939
Jamie Stoops, University of Arizona

“Working Girls”: Female Labor in Joseph Conrad’s The Secret Agent
Laura James, University of Stony Brook

Panel 37       Writing as Representation in Biography and Autobiography

Chair/Commentator: TBA

Change and Constancy in the Self-Writings of Richard Stonley
Andrew Preston, University of Akron

"A Very Wild Irishman": the Irish Nationalist Strain in the Early Works of Oscar Wilde
Matthew Skwiat, Drew University

Conflicting Presentations of Felix Mendelssohn in British Music Histories
Linda Shaver-Gleason, University of California, Santa Barbara

Panel 38       British Theorists and Their Impact at Home and Abroad

Chair/Commentator: TBA

John Stuart Mill and Russian Debates on Capitalism, 1860-1917
Julia Berest, University of Western Ontario

The Homeland He Was Never Sure He Had: Paul Gilroy and British Studies in the Digital Age
Daniel McNeil, DePaul University

The "Action-Centered Leadership Perspective" and Other Innovations: Military and Postcolonial Influences on John Adair and British Leadership Studies
Jo Ann Oravec, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
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Professor Walter L. Arnstein

The MWCBS is pleased to celebrate the distinguished career of Professor Walter L. Arnstein at this year’s meeting. Dr. Arnstein held appointments at the University of Illinois, Roosevelt and Northwestern Universities, the University of Chicago, and the City College of New York. At Illinois he received the University-wide prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Instruction in 1987, served as department chair and Director of Graduate Studies, and was appointed as Jubilee Professor of the Liberal Arts and Sciences. He won a Fulbright Scholarship, Fellowships from the American Council of Learned Societies and Clare College, Cambridge, and became a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society in 1973.

Dr. Arnstein’s commitment to fostering historical research in general and British studies in particular has been no less indefatigable. In addition to books on religious, cultural, and intellectual history, he has authored in excess of thirty articles and essays on topics ranging from famed Whig historian George Macaulay Trevelyan to women’s suffrage and the history of childhood, and his book reviews now number in excess of one hundred. More familiar to undergraduates and general readers are his survey of modern British history Britain Yesterday and Today and its companion volume The Age of Aristocracy. These volumes have introduced thousands of students to Modern British History, and their popularity has spawned no less than seven editions of each. He served on the editorial boards of The American Historical Review, Albion, and The Historian, and on the advisory board of Victorian Studies. His long-term involvement with the North American Conference on British Studies resulted in appointments to the organization's executive, program, and nominating committees, followed by terms as Vice-President and President. He also served as President of the Midwest Conference on British Studies and the Midwest Victorian Studies Association, presented more than forty papers at academic conferences, and delivered guest lectures at, among other institutions, Yale, the University of Chicago, and the University of London. His career-long dedication to the history honors society, Phi Alpha Theta, and its publication—The Historian—is a testament to his concern for fostering the careers of aspiring historians.

Biographical details provided by John Beeler