Mapping Migrations in World History

The Seventh Annual Conference of the MWWHA

will be held

September 23rd-24th, 2016,

at Metropolitan State University in Saint Paul, MN.

Outline of Conference Schedule.

(last updated on 2 August 2016)
(All locations are on the Metropolitan State University St. Paul campus except for the seminar Friday morning.)

**Please note: Metropolitan State students are invited to the panels and the keynote talk in the auditorium; if they want to attend more, they need to register for the conference or contact Prof. Grant (history@metrostate.edu) about becoming a volunteer for the conference.**

Thursday evening: pre-conference activities.
starting at 5:00 or 6:00 (Time TBD): a docent-led tour of an exhibit called "Changing America" from the Smithsonian on display at Metropolitan State.
After the tour, we'll carpool over to Hmong Village where there are many choices
for dinner; a student-volunteer will give us some guidance!

Friday, 23 September

9:00AM-12:00PM. Archival and Cartographic Seminar, at the University of Minnesota.

12:00-6:30PM. Registration table open (Great Hall)

12:00-2:00. Optional Lunch (Great Hall)
   (If you don't want to order lunch in advance, there are a few other options nearby, including Alimama (halal food) in the Student Center on campus, the Dancing Goat, and Swede Hollow cafe.)

2:00-3:15. Session 1.

PANEL 1A: CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT (LIB 306)

Joshua Eichen (University of Minnesota) “Depopulation and Repopulation in the Americas (1500-1800): Sugar, Migration and Climate in the Longue Durée”
Mark Soderstrom (Aurora University) “The Ecological Thought and the World History Survey”
Shawn Vedley (Metropolitan State University) “Climate Change and Migration"

PANEL 1B: ANCIENT NEAR EAST (LIB 307)

Mark Welter (Independent Scholar) “Mapping the Effects of the Jewish Babylonian Migration c. 587-538 BCE”
Rachel Mittelman (Murray State University) “Great Chief or Pharaoh? Libyan Identity in Third Intermediate Period Egypt”

PANEL 1C: THE ARTS OF MOVEMENT (LIB 308)

Tracy Wescott (Oakton Community College) “Diasporic Adaptations of West African Possession Dance and Orisha”
Michal Moskow (Metropolitan State University) and Abdirizak M. Aden (Nugaal University, Somalia) “Here and There in Fiction and Reality: The Dynamics of
Somali Migration to Minnesota and Back Again”
David Andrews (University of Minnesota) “A Place in the World: Human and Inhuman Scales in Elizabeth Bishop's Poetry”

3:30-4:45. Session 2.

PANEL 2A: ROUNDTABLE: NAVIGATING TECHNOLOGY IN THE SECONDARY CLASSROOM (LIB 306)

Current education policy and curriculum within the secondary classroom has become obsessed with the integration of technology. From blended classrooms, 1:1 device initiatives, to online classroom management systems it is often difficult to know how exactly to navigate this shifting educational landscape. This panel focuses on how four Social Studies secondary educators at both the middle and high school have integrated technology within their classroom.

Kim Gilman (Hocker Grove Middle School, Shawanee, KS)
Eileen Orzoff-Baranyk (Vernon Hills Middle School, IL)
Susan Smith (Maple Grove Senior High School, MN)
Tom Barker (South Middle School, Lawrence, KS)

PANEL 2B: IN and OUT OF AFRICA (LIB 307)

Tolulope Monsiola (University of Minnesota) “Consented or coerced? Trafficking of Nigerian women and girls for sex work in Italy”
Abou Bamba, (Gettysburg College) “Invisible Migrants of Africa: The French Residents of Postcolonial Ivory Coast and Gabon 1960-1985”

PANEL 2C: MAPPING MIGRANTS IN THE US 1910-1940 (LIB 308)

Andrew Hoyt, (University of Minnesota) “Italian Migration Beyond Atlantic Gate-Way Cities: Mapping Italian Anarchist Miners across the small towns of north America”
Stephen R. Cusulos (Independent Scholar) “The Syrians of Sioux Falls c. 1927”
Mary-Elizabeth Murphy (Eastern Michigan University) “Mapping Resistance: African Americans, the Great Migration, and Protests against Bus Segregation in
the United States, 1920-1940”

5:00-6:30. Session 3. (refreshments) (SEC 115)

Plenary session, THE GLOBAL IN THE LOCAL: PRESERVING AND PRESENTING IMMIGRANT HISTORIES

Scholar-activists have responded to the growing presence of immigrant communities in the Twin Cities by developing new institutions which collect and preserve their stories and records, present their stories to younger generations within their communities and to members of other communities, and place their stories and experiences within contexts.
Osman Ali (The Somali Museum)
Peter Rachleff (East Side Freedom Library)
Chris Taylor (Minnesota Historical Society)
Mai N. Vang (The Hmong Museum)

6:30-7:30. Keynote (Auditorium)

GLOBAL MIGRATION CRISES -- CONNECTING HISTORY TO CONTEMPORARY POLITICS

Erika Lee, Director of the Immigration History Research Center, University of Minnesota

7:30-9:00 Dinner (Great Hall) (door prizes will be given away at dinner -- must be present to win!)

Saturday, 24 September

8:30AM-4:00PM. Registration table open (Great Hall)

8:30AM until gone. Breakfast bites. (Great Hall)
Coffee/beverages available all morning. (Great Hall)

9:00-10:15AM. Session 4.

PANEL 4A: MAPPING MIGRATION IN MEDIEVAL EUROPE (New Main L210)

Heather M. Flowers. (Metropolitan State University) “Bordered by Beasts: Mapping
Identities in Early Anglo-Saxon England with Animal Style Art”  
Deanna Forsman (North Hennepin Community College) “Claiming Transgression: Spiritual Migration in Late Antique Christian Thought”  
James G. Shryver (University of Minnesota, Morris) “Medieval Migrations and Modern Identities”

PANEL 4B: MIGRATION AND THE MAKING OF THE UPPER MIDWEST (New Main L213)

Samantha Kailas (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee) “How Immigrants Made Milwaukee: Analyzing the Intersection of Immigration and Class Mobility in Riverwest, Milwaukee”

Tiffany Trimmer (University of Wisconsin-La Crosse) “‘Come and See’: Migration-Related Marketing and How La Crosse, WI fits into World History”

Pauline Danforth (Metropolitan State University) “Minnesota: An Indigenous Place”

PANEL 4C: ATHLETES IN MOTION (New Main L215)

Blair Williams (University of Minnesota) “The King Reborn: Oh Sadaharu and Japanese Identity in Cold War Japan”

Kent Weber, (University of Minnesota) “Futbol Diaspora: The U.S. National Soccer Program and the Making of Americans at Home and Overseas”

Orry Klainman, (University of Minnesota) “Mizrahi Sportsmen: National Sports and the Creation of a Multiethnic Israeli Society”

10:15-10:45AM. Coffee break. (Great Hall)

10:45AM-12:00PM. Session 5.

PANEL 5A: MUSLIM MIGRANTS IN THE 20th-CENTURY MIDWEST (New Main L214)

Ruth Smith, (Ohio State University) “Examining and Engaging in Community Building Processes Among Second Generation Muslim Migrants”

Marcus Smith, (Purdue University) “Muslim Columbus: Diversity and Unity in a Midwest American Religious Community”

Kate Lang, (University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire) “Arab Americans in Northwest Wisconsin: Many Voices”

PANEL 5B: REVOLUTION, EXILES, AND EMOTION IN EUROPE (New Main L213)

Christopher Marshall, (University of Wisconsin-Stout) “To the Barricades for Free Poland: Polish Exiles and Revolutionary Migrants and the Paris Commune of 1871”
Chris Rominger, (City University of New York) “A community of emotions and hopes: Tunisian Anti-colonial exiles in Neutral Switzerland 1914-1919”
Mary Duarte, (Cardinal Stritch University) “A Change So Brusque”

PANEL 5C: WHO AM I? MIGRATION AND IDENTITY FORMATION (New Main L215)

Julie Tanaka, (University of Notre Dame) “Encounters with the Foreign: German Identity in Early Modern Histories and Travel Accounts”
Nikki Magie, (Olivet College) “Migrant Stories in a World on the Move 1870-1920”
Jonathan Dresner, (Pittsburg State University) “Migration and Modernity in East Asia”

12:00-2:00PM. Optional Lunch (Great Hall)

1:00-2:00PM. Executive Committee Meeting, all MWWHA members welcome. (LIB 302)

2:00-3:15. Session 6.

PANEL 6A: ROUNDTABLE: DEEPENING STUDENT ENGAGEMENT IN WORLD HISTORY THROUGH NATIONAL HISTORY DAY (LIB 306)

This panel will discuss how the National History Day program facilitates deeper engagement in World History classrooms through advanced research projects. Panelists will introduce the History Day program, provide examples of research support services through library partnerships, and discuss the application of History Day in the classroom. A student presentation will illustrate a World History topic from 2016. Overall, participants will come away with an understanding of the structure and classroom application of National History Day and how to support students as they address the challenges and opportunities of researching a World History topic.

Molly Strother (Capitol Hill Magnet School)
Matthew King (History Day Graduate Assistant, Minnesota Historical Society and University of Minnesota)

PANEL 6B: ISLANDERS ON THE MOVE (LIB 307)

Justin Masucci, (SUNY Buffalo) “Crisis in the New Colony: The Emigration of Virgin Islanders during the early years of U.S. Colonialism”
David Chang, (University of Minnesota) “Native Hawaiian Explorations of the World 1778-1832”

PANEL 6C: ARAB MIDDLE EAST (New Main L213)

James Tallon, (Lewis University) “Scramble for Arabia: The Ottoman Empire, the British, and Arab States Struggle for Dominance, 1903-1925” Yusri Haizran, (Free University, Berlin) “Why are Christians Leaving the Arab Middle East?

3:15-3:45. Coffee break. (Great Hall)

3:45-5:00. Session 7.

PANEL 7A: MIGRATION AND MEXICO (LIB 306)

Andrae Marak (Governors State University) and Elaine Carey (St. John’s University), “Drugs, Mobility, and Automated Borders”
Joseph Lenti (Eastern Washington University) “Invasores: Land Invasions and Government Responses at the end of the Mexican ‘Miracle’”
Maria Duarte (Grand Valley State University), “To Protect and Control: Mexican Consuls on the Texas Borderlands at the turn of the Twentieth Century”

PANEL 7B: ROUNDTABLE: TEACHING MIGRATION HISTORY WITH THE IMMIGRATION STORIES PROJECT (LIB 307)

This panel will provide an overview of Immigrant Stories as a digital storytelling and archiving project, explain how the digital stories in our collection can be used as primary sources for world migration history, and demonstrate our new digital storytelling web application that will help instructors teach their students to make their own digital stories, even if the instructor has not previously taught with digital storytelling.

Elizabeth Venditto (University of Minnesota)
Erika Lee (Director of Immigration History Research Center, University of Minnesota)

PANEL 7C: AGRICULTURE, HOMESTEADING AND THE WEST (New Main L213)

Margaret Vaughan, Metropolitan State University) “The Representation of Native Peoples and Indigenous Seeds in Select U.S. Discourses of WWII”
Katie Weichelt, (University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire )“Birthing on the Plains: Migration, Homesteading and Maternal Health in Two Rural Counties
Brenda Thacker, (University of Missouri, St. Louis) “Mapping Cholera and Westward Migration”

5:30 Last shuttle to hotel from campus.