



CRISIS & RECOVERY
IN
WORLD HISTORY

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE
MIDWEST WORLD HISTORY ASSOCIATION
SEPTEMBER 24-25, 2021

LEWIS UNIVERSITY
ROMEDEVILLE, ILLINOIS



College of Humanities,
Fine Arts and Communications

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Welcome to Lewis University and the eleventh annual conference of the Midwest World History Association. Particularly after last year's hiatus necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is a delight to welcome many of you back—and to meet those of you who are new to the MWWHA.

The pandemic, of course, is not over. This reality has shaped the planning of our conference in a number of ways. Most practically, it has led us to host the conference in a hybrid format, with some attending and presenting in person at Lewis University, and others doing so via Zoom. It has also pushed us to develop a conference theme that speaks to the moment in which we find ourselves. So many people, and so understandably, talk about their desire to “return to normal,” to go back to the habits of pre-COVID-19 days. But historians tend to be skeptical of the notion that things ever “go back.” But how do we move forward? How can we use world history to learn from crisis as we think about and plan for what comes next? How to recover? How have people done so before, and what has it meant?

Animated by such questions, we look forward to exploring together the theme of Crisis and Recovery in World History over the course of the conference. We are pleased to share a program whose topics—and whose presenters themselves—span the globe, and we are excited to bring together, as is fundamental to the mission of the MWWHA, undergraduate and graduate students, independent scholars, and K-12 teachers and college faculty alike. I hope you leave the conference with many new ideas, colleagues, and friends. I also encourage you to keep in contact with the MWWHA in the coming year, whether by submitting your work to The Middle Ground Journal, or to consider running to serve on our executive committee.

Again, welcome. I look forward to meeting you—or seeing you again—in the coming days, and wish you a rewarding conference.

Mark Soderstrom
President
Midwest World History Association

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The MWWHA will adhere to the COVID-19 protocols that Lewis University and the State of Illinois have in place. Please review and follow Lewis University's policy, which is as follows:

FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED INDOORS AT LEWIS UNIVERSITY.

Our community understands the benefits of wearing face coverings. We encourage and support all who choose to wear a face covering to continue to do so. At this time, face coverings should be worn in public indoor spaces by all individuals, regardless of their vaccination status. This includes classrooms and common areas of residence halls.

Public health guidance still recommends social distancing for the unprotected or at-risk individuals so face coverings may be an important outdoor mitigation measure if distancing cannot be ensured.

PARKING

In-person attendees should park not on the main campus of Lewis University, but at the St. Charles Borromeo campus, which is just north of the main campus entrance. Enter the St. Charles Borromeo Campus via Airport Road. (See map below.) Visitor parking is widely available.

PANEL PROTOCOLS

Panels will be hybrid in format, with some participants participating via Zoom, and others in-person. For those participating remotely, please keep microphones muted when not speaking, and please keep cameras on when possible. Those presenting papers should plan to speak for no more than 20 minutes, so as to allow time for discussion.

PANELS & KEYNOTE ADDRESS LOCATION – ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO CLASSROOMS BUILDING (SB1)

The conference panels and keynote address will take place at Lewis University's St. Charles Borromeo North Campus in the St. Charles Borromeo Classrooms Building (SB1 on the campus map).

SATURDAY LUNCH LOCATION – BROTHER JAMES GAFFNEY, FSC STUDENT CENTER (61)

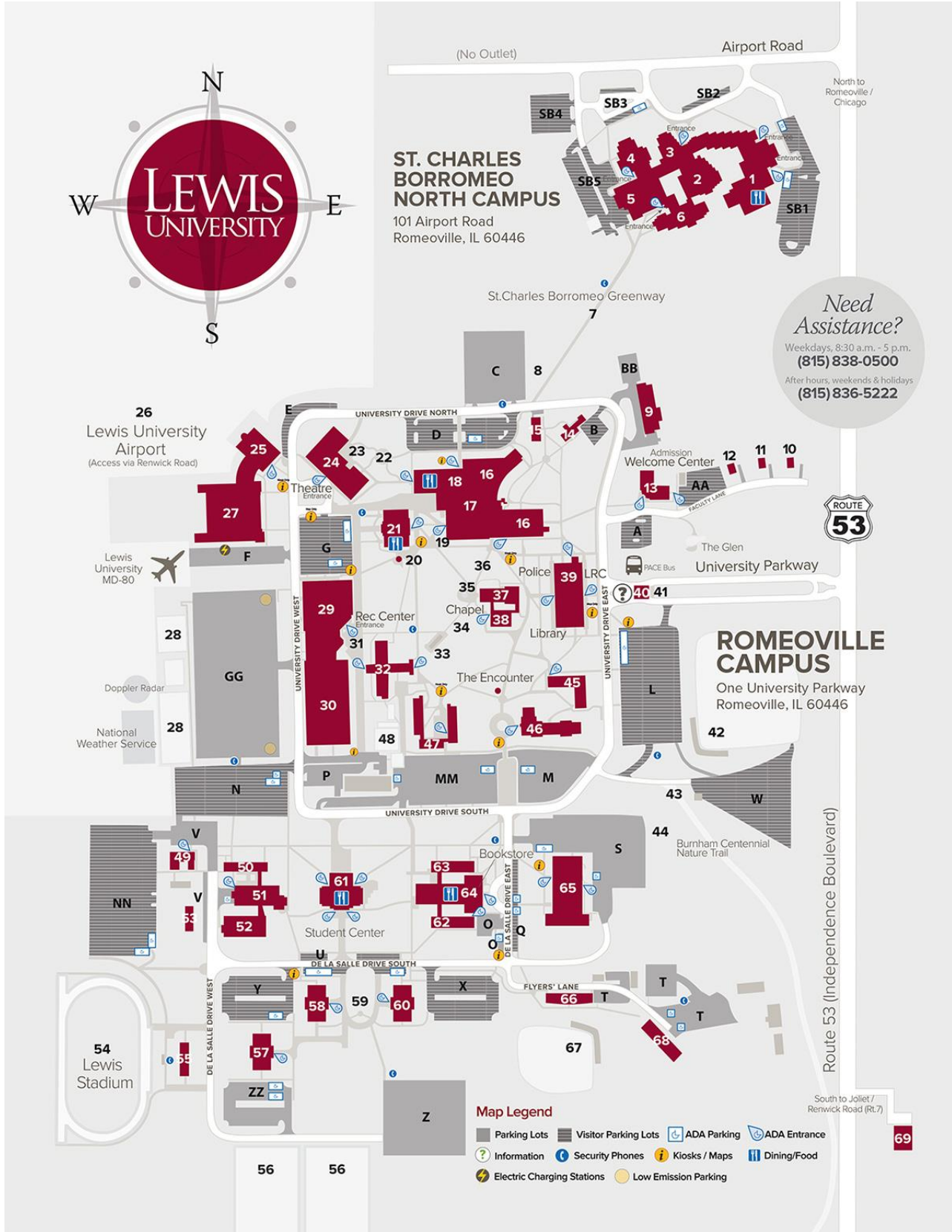
Lunch will be provided for in-person attendees at the Brother James Gaffney, FSC Student Center (building 61 on the campus map). Those interested in joining should meet outside the panel rooms at 11:15 on Saturday, and James Tallon will walk the group across the main campus to the building.

LEWIS UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO NORTH CAMPUS
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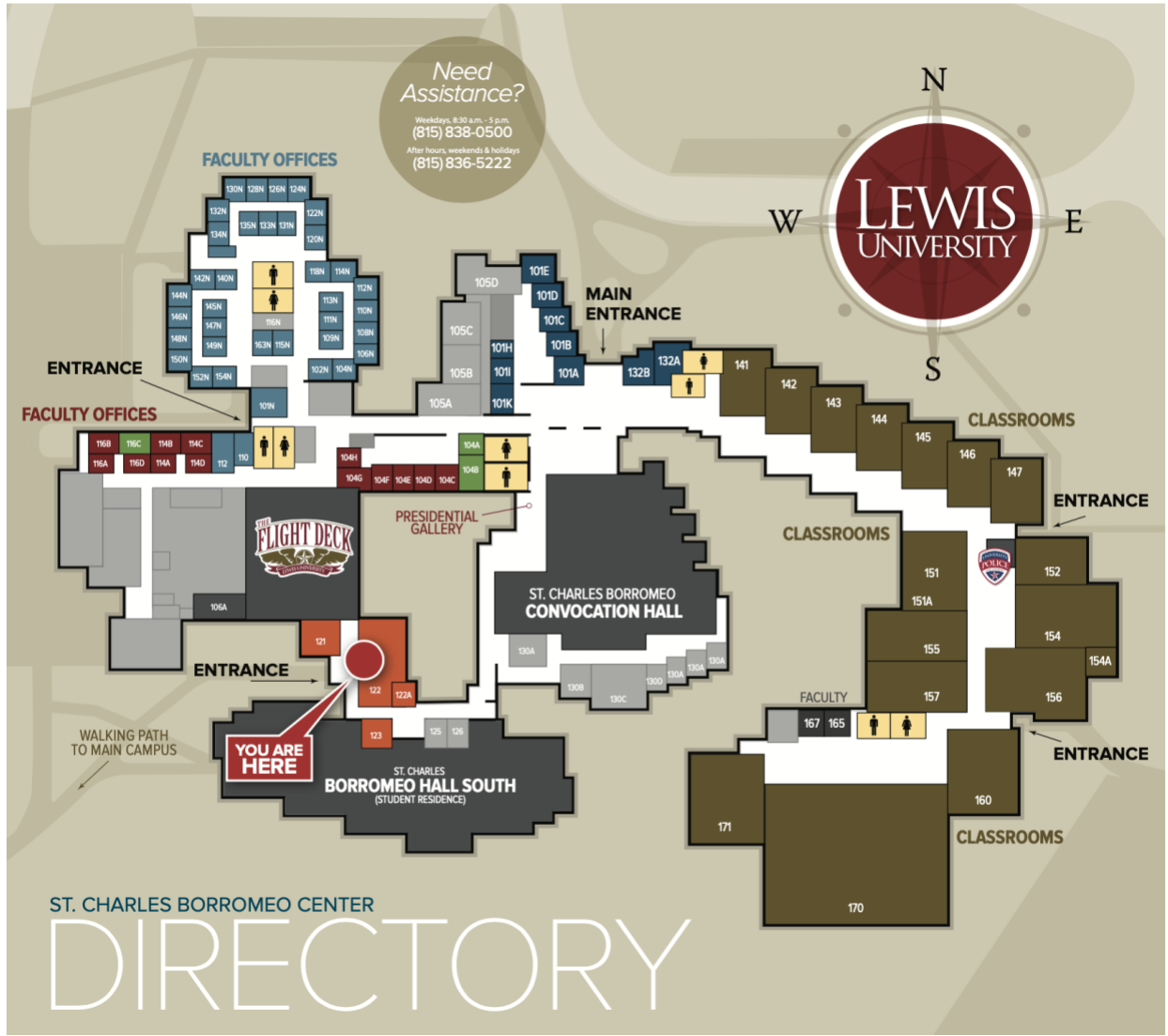


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LEWIS UNIVERSITY ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CENTER MAP



SESSION ONE: FRIDAY, 1:00-2:00 PM

PANEL 1.1

Critical Narratives: Crises in US Native/non-Native Relations

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: James Tallon, Lewis University (In person)

- Wesley Bishop, Marian University-Indianapolis, “The Fall Creek Massacre, 1824: The Forever Frontier, Memory, and Violence in the Midwest” (Zoom)
- Rachel Brown, Marian University-Indianapolis, “Retelling Sand Creek: Settler-Colonial Crisis and US Narrative Recovery” (Zoom)

PANEL 1.2

Holding Steady Through It All: The Middle Ground Journal, Always Online (Roundtable)

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Jeanne Grant, Metropolitan State University (In person)

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- Justin Olmstead, University of Central Oklahoma (In person)
- Sarah Pesola, Metropolitan State University (In person)

SESSION TWO: FRIDAY, 2:15-3:15 PM

PANEL 2.1

Teaching World History during a Historic Global Pandemic

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Peter Hannon, Lewis University (In person)

- Suzanne Shelbume, Virginia Tech University, “Assessment Choices of World History Teachers during the COVID-19 Pandemic” (Zoom)
- ~~[CANCELED:] Doug Feldmann, Northern Kentucky University, “Historical Lenses on the Role of Popular Culture in Global Recoveries” (Zoom)~~

PANEL 2.2

Anticipating and Responding to Environmental Disasters

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Mark Soderstrom, Aurora University (In person)

- Kevin Hogg, Mount Baker Secondary School, “Forecasting Disaster in 1969: The Ohio Fireworks Derecho, Yangjiang Earthquake, and Hurricane Camille” (Zoom)
- Karin Steinbrueck, National Louis University, “When Crisis & Recovery Trigger Exploitation: The Romanian Communist Response to an Environmental Disaster” (In person)

SESSION THREE: FRIDAY, 3:30-5:00 PM

PANEL 3.1

Re-Imagining Cosmological Crises in the Islamicate World

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: James Tallon, Lewis University (In person)

- Francesca Chubb-Confer, University of Chicago, “Verse/Inverse/Universe: The Poetics of History in Muhammad Iqbal's *Javednama*” (Zoom)
- Annie Greene, University of Chicago, “Unraveling the Origins of a Future World in Ottoman Baghdad” (Zoom)
- Elizabeth Sartell, Lewis University, “Imagination as Continual Creation in Ibn al-‘Arabī” (Zoom)

PANEL 3.2

Passing it Forward: History Education Programs and Developing Twenty-First Century History Teachers (Roundtable)

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Eileen Orzoff-Baranyk, Vernon Hills High School (In person)

- David Hicks, Virginia Tech University (Zoom)
- Meghan Kessler, University of Illinois-Springfield (Zoom)
- Justin Olmstead, University of Central Oklahoma (In person)
- Lisa Pennington, Governors State University (In person)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, 5:15-6:15 PM

Catherine Flinn

"Comparing Crisis and Recovery: Post-Second World War to Post-Pandemic"

Room: SB 171

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Around the world in the aftermath of the Second World War were devastating remains of once beautiful cities but also the loss of infrastructure and severe economic impacts from the war. This talk will center around urban trauma. It will reflect on how cities responded in the past to economic, environmental, and military trauma and the many lessons we can use in present and future in terms of both climate change and the pandemic – including physical, social and economic threats. Though based on research in British postwar history, it will draw from examples in varying parts of the globe, from Europe to Japan, and will do so with an eye toward preparing for post-pandemic urban change.

Catherine Flinn has a doctorate in modern British history and is a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. She has taught at several universities in the US and the UK. Her research focuses on postwar reconstruction, in particular the political, economic and social impacts of rebuilding and redevelopment. She returned to academia following a professional career in architecture, landscape and planning. Her book *Rebuilding Britain's Blitzed Cities: Hopeful Dreams, Stark Realities* (2018) was published by Bloomsbury and is available in paperback.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, 8:00-9:00

Continental breakfast and coffee will be provided outside the conference rooms. Coffee will be available throughout the morning.

SESSION FOUR: SATURDAY, 9:00-10:00 AM

PANEL 4.1

Transforming Lands and Regimes in Iraq, Turkey, and Argentina

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: James Tallon, Lewis University (In person)

- Frank Zator, University of Chicago, “A Land of Unlimited Resources: Repurposing and Redistributing Tribal Lands in Mandatory Iraq” (In person)
- Gizem Magemizoğlu Balcı, Ankara University, “The Military Coups’ Effects on Turkey and Argentina” (Zoom)

PANEL 4.2

South and Southeast Asian Identities, Histories, and Migrations

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Justin Olmstead, University of Central Oklahoma (In person)

- Aritra De, Texas Tech University, “Saffronizing India: BJP and the Restructuring of Indian History” (Zoom)
- Gazi Rahman, Universiti Brunei Darussalam, “Modern World History and Colonial Records: Some Challenges in Reconstructing Historical Migration” (Zoom)

SESSION FIVE: SATURDAY, 10:15-11:15 AM

PANEL 5.1

Teaching about Crises in World History

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Cathy Schultz, University of St. Francis (In person)

- Lisa Camichos, Hickory High School, “The Things They Carried: A Refugee Project” (Zoom)
- Evan Liddle, Dougherty Valley High School, “Teaching the Great Dying” (Zoom)

PANEL 5.2

Island Nation-States in the Cold-War World

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Jennifer Morris, Mt. St. Joseph University (Zoom)

- Tristan Miguel Osteria, University of Santo Tomas, “Lost in the Mists: The Apotheosis of Filipino Nation-State Making during the 1950s” (Zoom)
- Nabanipa Majumder, Texas Tech University, “Re-evaluating the Taiwan Strait Crisis within Cold War International Politics” (Zoom)

LUNCH – SATURDAY, 11:15-12:45 PM

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SESSION SIX: SATURDAY, 12:45 PM-1:45 PM

PANEL 6.1

US Policies in the Cold-War World

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Nikki Magie, Olivet College (In person)

- Bethany Holley-Griffith, University of Central Oklahoma, “Funding Democracy: Examining the Role of Research in American Universities During the Cold War” (Zoom)
- Benjamin Choo, Singapore University of Social Sciences, “Global Rebalancing in Public Discourse” (Zoom)

PANEL 6.2

Liberation and Integration in African-American History

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: John Vietoris, Lewis University (In person)

- Jacob Barrett, Lewis University, “Soldiers of Christ: The Response of Catholic Leaders in Indiana to African-American Civil Rights” (In person)
- Mark Schultz, Lewis University, “Farm ownership as the Widest Way Forward for African-Americans after the Civil War” (In person)

SESSION SEVEN: SATURDAY, 2:00-3:00 PM

PANEL 7.1

Premodern Worlds

Room: SB 154

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Jeanne Grant, Metropolitan State University (In person)

- Anthony Baker, Independent Scholar, “An analysis of the Rhetoric in the Ming Shi-Lu on the Events Leading to the Ming-Hô War, and its Relation to Chinese Imperial Ideology” (Zoom)
- Keith Snedegar, Utah Valley University, “Globalizing Medieval Europe” (In person)

PANEL 7.2

Consumption and Liberation in the Postwar World

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Steve Glazer, Graceland College (In person)

- Fabrizio Martino, Chulalongkorn University, “How Tourism in Sicily has Contributed to the Recovery after the Second World War: The Case of Erice” (Zoom)
- ~~[CANCELED:] Erinn McComb, Del Mar College, “‘Another Empty Kitchen’: Motherhood in the Cockpit” (In person)~~

SESSION EIGHT – SATURDAY, 3:15-4:15 PM

PANEL 8.1

Teaching World History during a Historic Global Pandemic (Roundtable)

Room: SB 154

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Chair: James Tallon, Lewis University (In person)

- Steve Glazer, Graceland University (In person)
- Niki Magie, Olivet College (In person)
- Eileen Orzoff-Baranyk, Vernon Hills High School (In person)
- Mark Soderstrom, Aurora University (In person)

PANEL 8.2

Worlds of the Early Modern Atlantic

Room: SB 152

Zoom link distributed via email to conference registrants

Chair: Jennifer Morris, Mount Saint Joseph University (Zoom)

- Emma Yeo, Durham University, “Approaching the Seventeenth-Century Global Crisis through a Local Lens: North East England and the General Crisis c. 1590 to 1710” (Zoom)
- Christopher Marshall, University of Wisconsin-Stout, “Erasing the Last Erasure: The Haitian Revolution’s Influence and Legacy in World History” (In person)

MWWHA EXECUTIVE MEETING, 4:30-5:30 PM

Room: SB 154

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