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## Registration Desk

The registration desk will be open the following hours: Thursday $8-5$, Friday $8-5$, Saturday $9-2$. If you have pre-registered for the conference and arrive after 2 pm on Saturday, a welcome folder and badge will be left for you in the second-floor foyer. On-site registration is available. We do not offer one-day passes; however, complimentary attendance at one panel is a benefit to members of C 19 , and you may join on-site.

## Book Exhibits

Broadview Press, The Scholar's Choice, and The University of Pennsylvania Press will display books of interest to conference-goers in the Venetian Room (second floor, City Club). Publisher's representatives will staff the book exhibit from 9-5 on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday ( $9-3$ on Saturday for The Scholar's Choice).

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## Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the officers and the Executive Committee of C19, I am pleased to welcome you to "Prospects: A New Century," the second biennial conference of this young and thriving organization. C19 is proving to be a great success because you have shown your faith in it and are supporting it materially by your presence and by your contributions to its intellectual exchanges.

I wish to thank my fellow officers and standing committee members for their diligent and creative work over the last two years to make good on the promise of this group. When C19 was conjured into being at the first conference at Penn State in 2010, it was the bold conception of three founders (Hester Blum, Christopher Castiglia, and Sean Goudie), to whom we are gratefully indebted for the strong initial impetus that brought it into existence. It has fallen to the first cadre of leaders to make good on that initial promise, and I am very pleased to say that with your enthusiastic support we have made this a real society. Please come to the Business Meeting on Friday afternoon, learn about the new journal we are creating as well as other plans for the future, and take part in the governance of the organization.

The richness of depth and expansiveness of breadth of the conference program are manifest: there are panels and papers reflecting many if not all of the most exciting directions in current research in this field. Digital studies, disability studies, environmental studies, genre studies, hemispheric studies, material and print culture studies, media studies, oceanic studies, performance studies, periodical studies, queer studies, science studies, textual editing, translation studies, transnational studies, transpacific studies, visual culture studies, women's studies-are all represented. Asian American, Latina/o, Black, and Native American studies are here too. Keywords and categories such as aesthetics, affect, affiliation, antislavery, attachment, borders, childhood, consciousness, cosmopolitanism, dissent, democracy, interiority, intimacy, kinship, labor, politics, psyche, race, religion, secularism, the senses, sentimentalism, spatiality, subjectivity, sympathy, temporality, and visuality are scattered throughout. Familiar names from Adams to Whittier are here. But also some less familiar ones,
from Hubert Howe Bancroft to Yung Wing. Plus: archives, chapbooks, deep zoom widgets, exhibits, friendship albums, the lecture hall, lesbian plants, maps, mining towns, papermaking, pilgrimages, the ring shout, ruins, screens, shipwrecks, the telegraph, tenements, and writing instruments.

C19 shows every sign of growing strength and stirring interest, and (speaking personally) I look forward to having it as a central part of my professional life for many years to come. I hope you do too.

Christopher Looby

Dear colleagues,
When we started planning this conference eighteen months ago, the Program Committee was beset by anxieties familiar to anyone who's ever thrown a party: is this the right place, the right time? Will anyone show up? And despite everything else that competes for your attention, you answered us with an overwhelming yes, sending a truly impressive batch of panel and paper proposals-enough to have filled two conference programs. For taking up the task of sorting through these riches and crafting them into something like a logical order, I am indebted to Dana Luciano, Kyla Wazana Tompkins, and Elisa Tamarkin, who took on double duty as both a Program Committee member and the local site coordinator.

A good conference interweaves the intellectual and the social. We've tried to create as many opportunities as possible for connecting with old (and new) friends and collaborators: don't miss the gala reception on Friday evening! After the dinner hour on Thursday and Saturday, come back to the City Club for a cozy cash bar in the
Members' Lounge and, weather permitting, on the Terrace. Following a suggestion made at the first C19, we've set up a special breakfast on Saturday especially for graduate students from different institutions to meet and mingle. And finally, to paraphrase Paul Thomas Anderson paraphrasing Upton Sinclair: there will be coffee.

On behalf of the Program Committee, I thank you proleptically for making this the unforgettable event we've tried to ensure it will be.
\& Kirsten Silva Gruesz

THURSDAY, APRIL I2

| Toll Room | Alumni House, UCB |
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| Ballroom | City Club, $2^{\text {nd }}$ floor |
| Drawing Room | City Club, $1^{\text {st }}$ floor |
| Members' Lounge | City Club, $2^{\text {nd }}$ floor |
| Julia Morgan Room | City Club, $2^{\text {nd }}$ floor |

## 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Registration: Lobby, City Club

Continental Breakfast outside all conference rooms starting at 8:30 am

| Toll Room | 1. Alternative Temporal Frames in the Novel <br> Bert Emerson, Woodbury University, "The Disjointed Democratic Temporalities of <br> Robert Montgomery Bird's Sheppard Lee" <br> Paul Gilmore, California State University, Long Beach, "Species-Time and the <br> Uncrystallizing Present of Melville's Pierre" <br> Greg Jackson, Rutgers University, "Ben-Hur and the Reader's Experience of Sacred <br> Time" <br> Respondent/Chair: Bill Brown, University of Chicago |
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| Ballroom | 2. Racial Visuality: Word, Image, Medium (Session organized by the Society of Early <br> Americanists) <br> Elizabeth Athens, Yale University, "Mirror Reflections: Edgar Allan Poe, Louis Agassiz, <br> and the Genealogy of Scientific Racism" <br> Sarah Blackwood, Pace University, "A More Perfect Likeness: African-American <br> Writers on Nineteenth-Century Visual Culture" <br> Judith Madera, Wake Forest University, "Cartographic Confluence: African American <br> Counter-Maps and the Question of Cuba, 1849-1861" <br> Megan Walsh, St. Bonaventure University, "Anti-Abolitionism, Phillis Wheatley, and <br> Visual Media" <br> Chair: Christopher J. Lukasik, Purdue University |
| 3. Political Emersons: A Roundtable <br> Larry Reynolds, Texas A\&M University, "Righteous Violence" <br> Donald Pease, Dartmouth College, "Emersonian State Fantasy in the Age of Obama" <br> Room <br> Neal Dolan, University of Toronto, "Emerson, Habermas, and Enlightenment <br> Liberalism" <br> Martha Schoolman, Miami University, "Quietism, Comeouterism and Emersonian <br> Ethics" |  |
| Michael Ziser, University of California, Davis, "Emerson and the New Materialism" |  |
| Chair: Michael Ziser |  |


| Julia Morgan | 5. The Word Made New: The C19's King James Bible <br> Room |
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| John Thomas, Rutgers University, "Transforming the Word: Religious Education and <br> Biblical Adaptation in Nineteenth-Century America" <br> Tracy Fessenden, Arizona State University, "The Nineteenth-Century Bible Wars and <br> the Separation of Church and State" <br> that <br> Steffi Dippold, Stanford University, "How to Do Things With Natick Words: The <br> Rediscovery of Eliot's Indian Bible and the Founding of American Linguistics" <br> Respondent: Paul Gutjahr, Indiana University <br> Chair: Nancy Ruttenburg, Stanford University |  |


| 10:45 am-I2:I5 pm |  |
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| Toll Room | 6. Beyond Cultural Capital: Economies of Childhood <br> Patricia Crain, New York University, "'The Bank of Industry': Rewards of Merit and <br> the (Cultural) Capital of Childhood" <br> Courtney Weikle-Mills, University of Pittsburgh, "From Ripe Cherries to Cherry Ripe: <br> The Economics of Childhood in Nineteenth-Century Literary and Material Culture" <br> Derek Pacheco, Purdue University, "'In Some Degree Gothic': Economies of Desire in <br> Hawthorne's Wonder Book" <br> Chair/Respondent: Caroline Levander, Rice University |
| Ballroom | 7. Sentimentalism and the Senses <br> Lauren Klein, Georgia Institute of Technology, "Sympathies of the Stomach: Lydia <br> Maria Child's Sentimental Taste" <br> Naomi Greyser, University of Iowa, "Intimacy Issues: Sentimentality and Untouchable <br> Masculinity in The Scarlet Letter" <br> Michael Borgstrom, San Diego State University, "Seeing Empathy in The <br> Hermaphrodite" |
| Kyla Schuller, Rutgers University, "The Erotics and Eugenics of Touch in the Work of |  |
| Frances E.W. Harper" |  |
| Chair: Marianne Noble, American University |  |$|$| 8. Looking Forward by Looking Back: Nineteenth-Century Readers and Early |
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| American Novels |
| Jennifer Harris, Mt. Allison University, "Clara Wharton and the Drama of Posthumous |
| Revision" |
| Bryan Waterman, New York University, "Romance and Association: Caroline Dall |
| Rescues Elizabeth Whitman" |
| Lauren Coats, Louisiana State University, "From Novel to Graveyard: Revisiting |
| Charlotte Temple in C19" |
| Respondent: Marion Rust, University of Kentucky |


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| Julia Morgan |  |
| Room |  | | 10. The Ventriloquism of Thinking: Public and Private Depictions of Consciousness |
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| Theo Davis, Williams College, "Mind Changing in Emily Dickinson" |
| Stuart Burrows, Brown University, "Time to Think: Naturalism, Narrative, and the |
| Thinking Self" |
| Stacey Margolis, University of Utah, "Going Viral in Melville and Jacobs" <br> Natalia Cecire, Emory University, "Being Experimental: Crane, James and the <br> Aesthetics of Knowledge" <br> Chair: Jennifer Fleissner, Indiana University |

## 12:15-I:30 Lunch break

| I:30-3:00 pm |  |
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| Ballroom | 11. Hemispheric Transplantations <br> Michelle Burnham, Santa Clara University, "Trans-plantations: Pacific Botany and <br> Atlantic Slavery in William Earle's Obi" <br> Michele Currie Navakas, Texas Tech University, "Wrecker Sovereignty: Empire on the <br> Florida Reef" <br> Lauren Heintz, University of California, San Diego, "Haiti in New Orleans: <br> Revolutionary Nostalgia and Queer Desire in Ludwig von Reizenstein's The Mysteries of <br> New Orleans" <br> Tim Cassedy, Southern Methodist University, "The World Republic of Pure English: <br> Making a Scottish, American, Barbadian, English, British Grammar" <br> Chair: Kirsten Silva Gruesz, University of California, Santa Cruz |
| Drawing | 12. A Roundtable on Prospects for Black Literature: Recovery and Beyond <br> Room |
| P. Gabrielle Foreman, University of Delaware, on collaborative archival research <br> DoVeanna Fulton, University of Alabama, on recovering black women's voices <br> Andreá N. Williams, The Ohio State University, on texts in post-recovery neglect <br> Sherita Johnson, University of Southern Mississippi, on alternative canons <br> Xiomara Santamarina, University of Michigan, on teaching recovered texts <br> Chair: Andreá N. Williams |  |
| Members' | 13. Flashpoints: Public Speech and Collective Violence before the Civil War <br> Glenn Hendler, Fordham University, "How to Put a Riot into Print: Interrupted <br> Speech in the History of Pennsylvania Hall, Which Was Destroyed by a Mob on the 17th of <br> May, 1838" <br> Laura L. Mielke, University of Kansas, "Eloquent Provocation on the Antebellum <br> Stage" <br> Christopher Hanlon, Eastern Illinois University, "The Telegraph, World Peace, and <br> Young America" <br> Sandra N. Gustafson, University of Notre Dame, "Public Speech and Nonviolence" <br> Chair: Laura Mielke |


| I:30-3:00 pm |  |
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| Julia Morgan | 14. Imagining Marriage in Late-Century Fiction <br> Room |
| Laura Korobkin, Boston University, "Realist Fiction vs. Sentimental Divorce Law in <br> Howells' A Modern Instance" <br> Jeffory Clymer, University of Kentucky, "Contract, Status, and Postwar Marriage" <br> Tess Chakkalakal, Bowdoin College, "Telling it Like it Was: Tourgee's African <br> American Aesthetics" <br> Koritha Mitchell, Ohio State University, "Frances Harper and Homebuilding Anxiety" <br> Chair: Laura Korobkin |  |


| 3:I5-4:45 pm |  |
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| Ballroom | 15. The Political Sensuality of the Archive: A Roundtable <br> Kyla Wazana Tompkins, Pomona College <br> David Kazanjian, University of Pennsylvania <br> Rodrigo Lazo, University of California, Irvine <br> Ivy G. Wilson, Northwestern University <br> Elizabeth Freeman, University of California, Davis <br> Chair: Dana Luciano, Georgetown University |
| Drawing <br> Room | 16. Understanding Interiors <br> Joel Pfister, Wesleyan University, "The Interiority Revolution: Hawthorne, Poe, <br> Emerson" <br> Gregg Crane, University of Michigan, "The Space Between Cognition and Intuition: <br> Relocating the Political in Billy Budd" <br> Nicholas Gaskill, University of Chicago, "How to Behave inside a Yellow Room: <br> Aesthetic Interiors and National Identity in the Late Nineteenth Century" <br> Hannah Wells, Drew University, "Minding Matter: A Material History of Pragmatism" <br> Chair: Monica Huerta, University of California, Berkeley |
| Members' | L7. Editorial Prospects: Revisiting the Art and Politics of Editing <br> Autumn Womack, Columbia University, "Fleeting Shadows: The Editorial Politics of <br> Martin Delany" <br> Craig Carey, University of Iowa, "Property Wars: Ambrose Bierce, William Randolph <br> Hearst, and the Art of Editing" <br> Jane Greenway Carr, New York University, "A Composite Novel of American Politics': <br> Elizabeth Jordan, Stunt Activism and Editorship in Public" <br> Lisa Arellano, Colby College, "Hubert Howe Bancroft's Imaginary: The Making of a <br> National Past" <br> Chair: Jane Greenway Carr |
|  | 18. Locating Dissent <br> Cindy Weinstein, California Institute of Technology, "Space (and Time) in Charles <br> Brockden Brown's Edgar Huntly" <br> Sarah Mesle, University of California, Los Angeles, "Freedom's Southern Prospects: <br> South America in Anglophone Slavery Debates" <br> Michael T. Gilmore, Brandeis University, "Stronghold of Dissent" <br> Nick Bromell, University of Massachusetts, "The Rage of the Disesteemed': <br> Democratic Indignation in Slave Narratives" <br> Chair: Caleb Smith, Yale University |
| Julia Morgan |  |
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| Ballroom | 19. Disability, Liability, Compensation and Dispossession <br> Michael Ralph, New York University, "Slave Insurance and the Question of Disability" <br> Andrew Inchiosa, University of Chicago, "Elijah's Arm: Herman Melville, Employer <br> Liability, and Loss without Remedy" <br> Rachel Dudley, Emory University, "The Medical Plantation as a Cultural Location of <br> Disability" <br> Todd Carmody, University of California, Berkeley, "Rehearsal and Rehabilitation: <br> The Literary Archive of Race and Disability at Port Royal" <br> Chair: Benjamin Reiss, Emory University |
| Drawing <br> Room | 20. Oceanic American Studies <br> Monique Allewaert, University of Wisconsin, "Hydrophoria: On the Limits and <br> Potential of Atlantic Hydrographies" <br> Sarah A. Hirsch, University of California, Santa Barbara, "Harbors of the New <br> Millennium: Port Literature and the Networks of Crisis" <br> Gretchen Woertendyke, University of South Carolina, "Historical Distance, the Ocean <br> and the Problem of Romantic Biography" <br> Chair: Hester Blum, Pennsylvania State University |
| Members' <br> Lounge | 21. Yesterday Today? Transtemporal Conversations <br> Nat Hurley, University of Alberta, "The Further Adventures of Huckleberry Finn: The <br> Risk of Imagining Queer Youth and Transgender History via C19" <br> Kelly Franklin, University of Iowa, "Without Being Walt Whitman': Vicente <br> Huidobro's Whitman and the Poetics of Seeing" <br> Rachel Collins, Arcadia University, "Reading Nineteenth-Century Space: New York's <br> Tenement Museum and the Problem of Literary History" <br> Gregory Jay, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, "Not Everybody's Protest Novel: <br> Popular Fictions of Anti-Racism from Stowe to Stockett" <br> Chair: Jane Thrailkill, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill |
| Julia Morgan | 22. Antebellum Affects of the Enviroment <br> Room |
| John Evelev, University of Missouri, "Rus-Urban Imaginings: Richard Edney E |  |
| Governor's Family, Reformism, and the Antebellum Park Movement" |  |
| jillmarie Murphy, Union College, "Analeptic Sublime: Land Attachment in Joel Tyler |  |
| Headley's Adirondack; or, Life in the Woods" |  |
| Sarah Ensor, Cornell University, "After Life: Sounding the Dead with Henry David |  |
| Thoreau" |  |
| Jonathan Senchyne, Cornell University, "I should have a paper-mill established at one |  |
| end of the house': Melville and the Erotics of Papermaking" |  |
| Chair: Trish Loughran, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign |  |$|$

Dinner break, 6:30-8:30

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| Members' <br>  <br> Terrace | Cash bar |

## 8:00 am-5:00 pm Registration: Lobby, City Club

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| Toll Room | 8:45-I0:I5 am |
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|  | 23. Kinship, Family, and Affiliation after the Private Sphere: A Roundtable <br> Nancy Bentley, University of Pennsylvania, on love and political privation in Leonora <br> Sansay's Secret History; or the Horrors of Santa Domingo <br> Elizabeth Duquette, Gettysburg College, on difference and identification in Sheppard <br> Lee <br> Lynn Wardley, San Francisco State University, on telegony, epigenetics, and the biology <br> of kinship <br> Brigitte Fielder, Cornell University, on animal humanism and abolitionist sympathy <br> Chair: Holly Jackson, Skidmore College |
| Ballroom | 24. The Impossible Nineteenth Century: Skepticism, Secularism, Modernity <br> Jennifer Lieberman, Cornell University, "How the West Was Wired" <br> John Lardas Modern, Franklin and Marshall College, "Colonial Piety and Pious <br> Colonialism" <br> Emily Ogden, Columbia University, "With Spirits, All Things are Possible: Fraud and <br> the Otherworldly" <br> Mark Jerng, University of California, Davis, "Lafcadio Hearn's Prospective <br> Interpretations of Japan" <br> Chair: Phillip Maciak, University of Pennsylvania |
| Drawing | Room |
| 25. Prospects of Bildung: Developmental Narratives, Transnational Childhoods, and |  |
| National Culture |  |
| Ann Mae Duane, University of Connecticut, "American Students, Global Lessons: |  |
| Joseph Lancaster and the Work of Making World Citizens 1803-1830" |  |
| Sari Edelstein, University of Massachusetts, Boston, "May I Never be a Man': Melville's |  |
| Redburn as Anti-Bildungsroman" |  |
| Lucia Hodgson, Texas A\&M University, "The Prodigal Slave: Coming of Age in |  |
| Catharine Maria Sedgwick's A New-England Tale" |  |
| Nazera S. Wright, University of Kentucky, "Bildung in Frances E. W. Harper's Trial and |  |
| Triumph" |  |
| Respondent: Sarah E. Chinn, Hunter College |  |
| Chair: Karen J. Sánchez-Eppler, Amherst College |  |$|$


| Members' <br> Lounge |  |
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|  | 26. Disciplined Verse: Academia, Poetry and Poetics <br> Caroline Gelmi, Tufts University, "The Negative Image of Dunbar's Dialect" <br> Erin Kappeler, Tufts University, "Francis Barton Gummere's 'Community in Verse'" <br> Michael Cohen, University of California, Los Angeles, "Poems without Poetry" <br> Ben Glaser, Skidmore College, "James Weldon Johnson's Steady Beats: Prosody and <br> the Verse Anthology" <br> Chair: Ivy G. Wilson, Northwestern University |
| Julia Morgan <br> Room | 27. Cosmopolitanism and Empire Before Jackson <br> Duncan Faherty, Queens College and the CUNY Graduate Center, "Social <br> Reproduction in the Revolutionary Circum-Atlantic World: The Case of Martha <br> Meredith Read's Monima, or the Beggar Gir"" <br> Edward Larkin, University of Delaware, "Between Nation and Empire" <br> Justine S. Murison, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, "A Citizen of the World <br> in the Republic of the Millennium" <br> Martha Elena Rojas, University of Rhode Island, "Indian Agents, Barbary Consuls': <br> Joel Barlow's Imperial Poetics" <br> Chair: Christopher Looby, University of California, Los Angeles |


| Toll Room | 28. Racial Impressions and Religious Expressions <br> Ashon Crawley, Duke University, "Afro-Arabic Saut and the New World Ring Shout" <br> Erica Fretwell, San Francisco State University, "Racial Synaesthesia; or, The Senses <br> Pass" <br> Lindsay Reckson, University of Texas, Austin, "James Weldon Johnson's Electric Feel" <br> Respondent: Molly McGarry, University of California, Riverside <br> Chair: Daphne Brooks, Princeton University |
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| Ballroom | 29. Digits, Data, and Dilemmas: A Roundtable on Digitization and Knowledge <br> Production <br> J. Gerald Kennedy, Louisiana State University, "Poe's Republic of Letters: A Web <br> Archive Remapping Antebellum Print Culture" <br> Spencer Keralis, University of North Texas Libraries, "The Vanity of Systems: Data <br> Management for Humanists" <br> Michael Millner, University of Massachusetts - Lowell, "Mapping Literary Places: <br> Dilemmas in Digital Public Humanities" <br> Jessie Morgan-Owens, Nanyang Technological University, "Slavery in Singapore: <br> American Archival Research in Global Context" <br> Kenneth M. Price, University of Nebraska - Lincoln, "Whitman's Bureaucratic Vistas <br> and the Poetry of Democracy" <br> Augusta Rohrbach, Washington State University and David Tagnani, Washington <br> State University, "Reading with the Stars: Teaching Emerson with a 'Deep Zoom <br> Widget'" <br> Chair: Ryan Cordell, St. Norbert College |


| 10:30 am-I2:00 pm |  |
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| Drawing <br> Room | 30. Invisible Hands: Sympathy and Capital in Antebellum America <br> David Anthony, Southern Illinois University, "Usher,' Gothic Sympathy, and the <br> Jewish Question" <br> Lori Merish, Georgetown University, "The Poverty of Sympathy" <br> Marianne Noble, American University, "Sympathetic Selves in the Market-Place: <br> Human Contact in House of the Seven Gables" <br> Russell Sbriglia, University of Rochester, "'Such Capital Spirits': Sympathetic versus <br> Economic 'Interest' in Frank J. Webb's The Garies and Their Friends" <br> Chair: Gillian Silverman, University of Colorado, Denver |
| Members' <br> Lounge | 31. The Antislavery Imagination <br> Nicole Boyar, City University of New York, Graduate Center, "The Cultural <br> Reimagining of John Brown" <br> Jennifer Brady, Harvard University, "Staging Reading: Mary Webb's Performances of <br> Harriet Beecher Stowe's The Christian Slave" <br> Claudia Stokes, Trinity University, "Domestic Revelations: Stowe's Millennialism after <br> Uncle Tom's Cabin" <br> Kevin Pelletier, University of Richmond, "John Brown, Apocalyptic Sentimentalist" <br> Respondent/Chair: Jonathan Daigle, University of Hartford |
| Julia Morgan |  |
| Room | 32. Science and Subjectivity in Emerson <br> Ulrike Wagner, Columbia University, "Transcendentalism's Scientific Instruments: <br> Emerson, German Historical Scholarship and the Transformation of Religion and <br> Classicism in New England" |
| Johannes Voelz, Goethe-Universität, Frankfurt, "Emerson on the Lyceum Stage: <br> Political Subjectivity and Antebellum Public Culture" <br> Jason Berger, University of South Dakota, "Early Emerson and the Politics of <br> Enjoyment" <br> Michael Jonik, Cornell University, "Moral and Perpetual Forces: Emerson's Politics <br> after 'Fate"" <br> Chair: Martha Schoolman, Miami University |  |

## 12-I:15 pm Lunch break

| I:I5-2:45 pm |  |
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| Ballroom | 33. Melville in a Generation: A Roundtable <br> Hester Blum, Penn State University, "Melville's Oceanic Prospect" <br> Elisa Tamarkin, University of California, Berkeley, "Melville with Pictures" <br> Elizabeth Renker, Ohio State University, "Melville the Poet" <br> Michael Snediker, Queen's University, "Melville's Queer Romance" <br> Jeannine DeLombard, University of Toronto, "Registering Race and Slavery" <br> Chair: Robert Levine, University of Maryland |


| I:15-2:45 pm |  |
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| Drawing Room | 34. Invalids, Fugitives and Forgeries: Women's Poetry \& Complexes of Identities Alexandra Socarides, University of Missouri, "The Sick, Blind, Secluded, and/or Dead Poetess" <br> Jennifer Putzi, College of William and Mary, "Circulation and Poetic Authorship: The Case of 'Rock Me to Sleep'" <br> Faith Barrett, Lawrence University, "Sarah Piatt and the Poetics of Resistance" Martha Nell Smith, University of Maryland, "Deep Gossip, Deep Reading in Digital Dickinson" <br> Chair: Alexandra Socarides |
| Members' <br> Lounge | 35. The Psyche Before Psychoanalysis: Rethinking Desire, Alterity, Inheritance and Mourning <br> Amy Parsons, University of Wisconsin, Platteville, "Desire before the Death-Drive in Whitman's Drum-Taps" <br> Matthew Pangborn, Briar Cliff University, "The Oceanic and the Other in Washington Irving's Tales of the Alhambra" <br> Mitchell Breitwieser, University of California, Berkeley, "Hawthorne and the Family Mortmain" <br> Shari Goldberg, University of Texas, Dallas, "What's After Life in James's 'The Altar of the Dead'" <br> Chair: Shari Goldberg |
| Julia Morgan <br> Room | 36. Native American Languages and the Challenge of Transnational American <br> Studies: A Roundtable <br> Robert Gunn, University of Texas, El Paso, on Plains Indians sign language <br> Sean Harvey, Seton Hall University, on federal linguistic classifications <br> Sarah Rivett, Princeton University, on Indian grammars <br> David Samuels, linguistic anthropologist and ethnomusicologist, on Apache theological vocabulary <br> Chair: Sarah Rivett |
| 3:00-4:30 pm |  |
| Ballroom | 37. Transpacific Prospects: Americans in Asia/Asians in America <br> Brian Yothers, University of Texas, El Paso, "Transpacific, Transatlantic, Trans-Indian: The Intersecting Print Networks of Missionaries in Nineteenth-Century Ceylon" Xiao Di "Janice" Tong, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, "Sino-U.S. Diaspora: Self-Narrativization and Transpacific Identity in Yung Wing's My Life in China and America" <br> Mary Chapman, University of British Columbia, "Edith Eaton (Sui Sin Far) and the Politics of the Trans-Pacific" <br> Timothy Marr, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "Oriental America: The 'Malay Race,' the 'Moro Problem,' and the Subjection of the Sultan of Sulu" <br> Chair: Liam Corley, California Polytechnic State University |


| 3:00-4:30 pm |  |
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| Drawing <br> Room | 38. Beyond Cosmopolitanism: Alternative Internationalisms <br> David Luis-Brown, Claremont Graduate University, "Slave Rebellion and the <br> Conundrum of Cosmopolitanism: Plácido and La Escalera in a Neglected Cuban <br> Antislavery Novel by Orihuela" <br> Gretchen Murphy, University of Texas, Austin, "Nathan Cook Meeker and Globalist <br> Utopias" <br> John Funchion, University of Miami, "Working Against the Clock: Nostalgia and <br> Radical Internationalism" <br> Chair: Shelley Streeby, University of California, San Diego |
| Members' <br> Lounge | 39. Spirits that Matter: Nonsecular Embodiments in Antebellum America <br> Peter Coviello, Bowdoin College, "What Does the Polygamist Want?: Joseph Smith and <br> the History of American Sexuality" <br> Jared Hickman, The Johns Hopkins University, "'The Blackest Atheism': Slavery, <br> Resistance, and the Racialization of Spirit" <br> Dana Luciano, Georgetown University, "Sacred Theories of Earth, or, Getting Your <br> Rocks Off" <br> Howard Horwitz, University of Utah, "Materialist Spirituality in Uncle Tom's Cabin" <br> Chair: Peter Coviello |
| Julia Morgan | 40. Rethinking the Organic Text <br> Room Pratt, Oxford University, "The Aesthetics of Locality and the American South" |
| Jennifer Baker, New York University, "Life, Death, and American Romanticism" <br> Maurice Lee, Boston University, "Before Reading: Finding the Aesthetic Object" <br> Chair: Anne-Lise Francois, University of California, Berkeley |  |


| $4: 45-6: 15 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |
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| Ballroom | C19 Business Meeting (open to all) |


| 6:15-8:00 pm |  |
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| Toll Room | C19 Reception and Launch Party for J19: The Journal of Nineteenth-Century <br> Americanists |

## SATURDAY, APRIL I4

## 9:00 am-2:00 pm Registration: Lobby, City Club

## Graduate student breakfast: Toll Room, 8:00-9:00 am

## Continental breakfast outside all conference rooms starting at 8:30 am

| Toll Room | 41. Commons Democracy <br> Joanna Brooks, San Diego State University, "Why We Left: Archives of Common <br> Memory, Martial Power, and Peasant Class Anglo-American Communities" <br> Elizabeth Maddock Dillon, Northeastern University, "Performative Commons in the <br> Atlantic World" <br> Melissah Pawlikowksi, Ohio State University, "'Endeavors for the Common Good': <br> The Communitarian Foundation of Frontier Republicanism and the Populist Push <br> West" <br> Chair: Dana Nelson, Vanderbilt University |
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| Ballroom | 42. Media Evolution and Language Technologies <br> Ryan Cordell, St. Norbert College, "Reading C19 Print Culture Spatiall"" <br> Brian Hochman, Georgetown University, "Writing Motion: The Life and Work of <br> Garrick Mallery" <br> Tom Wright, University of East Anglia, "How Silence Spoke for Lucy Parsons" <br> Jessica DeSpain, Southern Illinois University, "Remixing the Transatlantic in The Wide, <br> Wide World Digital Edition" <br> Chair: Mark Goble, University of California, Berkeley |
| 43. Apocalypse When? American History and Sacred Time <br> Erawing <br> Rlizabeth Fenton, University of Vermont, "There Cannot be Any More Bible': <br> American History as Sacred History in The Book of Mormon" <br> Milette Shamir, Tel Aviv University, "Biblical Fiction and the Reenchantment of <br> Progress" <br> Molly Robey, Bridgewater State University, "Archaeology and Adventism in Pauline <br> Hopkins's Of One Blood" <br> Phillip Maciak, University of Pennsylvania, "Kingdom of Heaven, 1897: Temporalities <br> of the Social Gospel" <br> Chair: Timothy Marr, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill |  |
| Members' | 44. Textualizing Capital Punishment Controversies <br> Scott Peeples, College of Charleston, "The Dead Man and the Death Penalty in George <br> Thompson's City Crimes" <br> Augusta Rohrbach, Washington State University, "Mary Suratt: Pictures of an <br> Execution" <br> Paul C. Jones, Ohio University, "Tried for Her Life: E. D. E. N. Southworth's Female <br> Victims of Circumstance" <br> John C. Barton, University of Missouri-Kansas City, "The Postbellum Gallows: Novel <br> Arguments against Lawful Death in the US, 1869-1905" <br> Chair: Jeannine DeLombard, University of Toronto |
| Lounge |  |

## SATURDAY

|  | I0:45 am-I2:I5 pm |
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| Toll Room | 45. Mark Twain and Comparative Racialization: A Roundtable <br> Kerry Driscoll, St. Joseph's College <br> Gina Caison, University of California, Davis <br> Hsuan Hsu, University of California, Davis <br> Selina Lai, Hong Kong University <br> Katie Woolsey, University of California, Santa Cruz <br> Susan K. Harris, University of Kansas <br> Respondent: Shelley Fisher Fishkin, Stanford University |
| Ballroom | 46. The Latino Nineteenth Century <br> Raúl Coronado, University of Chicago, "Seduced by Papers: The Political Philosophy <br> of Revolution" <br> Jesse Alemán, University of New Mexico, "From Union Officers to Cuban Rebels: The <br> Story of the Brothers Cavada and their American Civil Wars" <br> Juan Poblete, University of California, Santa Cruz, "Citizenship and Illegality in the <br> Global California Gold Rush" <br> Chair: Rodrigo Lazo, University of California, Irvine |
| Drawing | 47. Inhuman Attachments <br> Roomfrey Sanborn, Amherst College, "Melville and the Non-Human World" |
| Valerie Rohy, University of Vermont, "Freeman's Object Lessons" <br> Travis Foster, College of Wooster, "Queer Biophilia; or, Jewett's Lesbian Plants" <br> Chair: Kyla Wazana Tompkins, Pomona College |  |
| Members' | 48. Paper Trails <br> Thomas Augst, New York University, "The Paper Trail of Speech: Presence and Media <br> in the Lecture Hall" <br> Laura Zebuhr, University of King's College, Halifax, Nova Scotia, "'Here on earth <br> there's nothing new / What can love or friendship do?": The Practices and Politics of <br> Nineteenth-Century Friendship Albums" "'How Children Grow': Anthropometry and <br> Jay Grossman, Northwestern University, "How <br> Aura" <br> Adam Gordon, American Antiquarian Society, "Cutting Corners with Emerson: <br> Information Management and American Critical Theory" <br> Chair: Martha Nell Smith, University of Maryland |
| Julia Morgan <br> Room | 49. Affiliaton and Disaffiliation <br> Joseph Rezek, Boston University, "Sibling Nations in the Anglophone Atlantic" <br> Carrie Hyde, University of California, Los Angeles, "The Involuntary Citizen" <br> Christopher Castiglia, Pennsylvania State University, "I Love America: Paranoia and <br> Affiliation in Cold War Criticism" <br> Kate Marshall, University of Notre Dame, "The Old Weird" <br> Chair: Justine Murison, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign |

## 12:15-1:30 pm Lunch break

## SATURDAY

| $1: 30 \mathrm{pm}-3: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |
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| Toll Room | 50. Primitive Accumulation as Fact and Fable <br> Eric Lott, University of Virginia, "Slavery in Capital" <br> Bryan Wagner, University of California, Berkeley, "The Tar Baby" <br> Laura Goldblatt, University of Virginia, "The Republication of Letters" <br> Kara Thompson, College of William and Mary, "Frontier Hospitality: Prostitution, Gambling, and the Making of a Mining Town" <br> Chair: Eric Lott |
| Ballroom | 51. Rewiring 'Masculine' and 'Feminine' Genres <br> Jana L. Argersinger, Washington State University, "The Author(s) of Sophia Peabody's <br> 'Letters from Cuba': Toward a Relational Aesthetics" <br> Kristen Mahlis, Calfornia State University, Chico, "Whittier, Wordsworth, and Haiti" Christopher N. Phillips, Lafayette College, "The American Bardess?: Recovering Long Poems by Women of the 1860 s" <br> Ajuan Maria Mance, Mills College, "Uncle Remus to Massa Joel': African American Men Re-Writing Black Masculinity after Reconstruction" <br> Chair: Beverly R. Voloshin, San Francisco State University |
| Drawing Room | 52. Pictures and Progress: Early Photography and the Making of African American <br> Identity <br> Shawn Michelle Smith, School of the Art Institute of Chicago <br> Maurice Wallace, Duke University <br> Leigh Raiford, University of California, Berkeley <br> Respondent/Chair: Anthony Foy, Swarthmore College |
| Members' Lounge | 53. After English: A Roundtable on the Non-Anglophone Nineteenth Century Jacob Berman, Louisiana State University, on Arabic <br> Anna Brickhouse, University of Virginia, on French and Spanish Ryan Carr, Yale University, on Cherokee <br> Andrew Leong, University of California, Berkeley, on Japanese Lisa Schilz, University of California, Santa Cruz, on German Chair: Jordan Stein, University of Colorado, Boulder |
| Julia Morgan Room | 54. Unbelonging <br> Adam C. Lewis, University of California, San Diego, "Becoming Mashpee: William <br> Apess's Naturalization and Nullification" <br> Rachel Banner, University of Pennsylvania, "Boudinot, Black Hawk, Marshall and the <br> Aesthetics of Native Removal" <br> Sarah Wilson, University of Toronto, "Anonymity, Representation, Delegation and <br> Other Fool's Errands" <br> Eric Wertheimer, Arizona State University, "The Self-Abstracting Letters of War: <br> Madison and Henry" <br> Chair: Betsy Erkkila, Northwestern University |


| 3:15-4:45 pm |  |
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| Toll Room | 55. American Ruins: A Roundtable on Rhetoric and Remnants <br> Susan Gillman, University of California, Santa Cruz, "American Mediterranean" <br> Daniel L. Selden, University of California, Santa Cruz, "Nothing Beside Remains" <br> Ann Fabian, Rutgers University, "Trafficking in Ruins: Athens, Egypt and 'Blue Mesa'" Karen Sánchez-Eppler, Amherst College, "Palo Alto and Pompeii: Leland Stanford Jr. and his Museum" <br> Gavin Jones, Stanford University, "Textual Ruin and the Failing Self" Sarah Robbins, Texas Christian University, "Cultural Capital in Indigenous 'Ruins' and Counter-Ruins" <br> Chair: Samuel Otter, University of California, Berkeley |
| Ballroom | 56. Misapprehensions <br> Ashley Barnes, University of California, Berkeley, "Jesus versus George Washington: Picturing Spirit in Painting and the Novel" <br> Laura Saltz, Colby College, "'The Secret Architecture of Bodies': Emerson and Photography" <br> Shelly Jarenski, University of Michigan, Dearborn, "Panoramic Prospects in African American Art: J.P. Ball, Frederick Douglass, and Kara Walker" <br> Nicole Gray, University of Texas, Austin, "Reflections on a Mirrored Text: Josiah <br> Henson's Exhibition at the World's Fair" <br> Chair: Elizabeth Young, Mt. Holyoke College |
| Drawing <br> Room | 57. Secrets of the Human Heart: Reading and Intimacy <br> Shirley Samuels, Cornell University, "Sentiment and Sensation in the Fiction of Charles Brockden Brown" <br> Gillian Silverman, University of Colorado, Denver, "Dead Authors and Resistant Readers" <br> Amy Blair, Marquette University, "The Author at Home" <br> Chair: Thomas Augst, New York University |
| Members' <br> Lounge | 58. $19^{\text {th }}$-Century Literature/ $21^{\text {st }}$-Century Literacies: A Roundtable on Pedagogy and Digital Technology <br> Jennifer Travis, St. John’s University, on the Wikipedia Novels Project <br> Angela Vietto, Eastern Illinois University, "Resisting the Flatness of the Screen: The Pedagogy of the Digital Archive" <br> Sharon K. Goetz, University of California, Berkeley, "How to Make a Digital Scholarly Edition-and Why" <br> Jessica Beard, University of California, Santa Cruz, "Bound-a-Trouble-" <br> Chair: Jennifer Travis |
| Julia Morgan Room | 59. Stigma <br> Sari Altschuler, City University of New York, The Graduate Center, "Enabling Early American Studies" <br> Daniel Hack, University of Michigan, "Unwitting Passing: Notes on the British and American Management of Discovered Identity" <br> Donna M. Campbell, Washington State University, "Reforming San Francisco: <br> Disability, Ethnicity, and the Drunkard's Dilemma in Frank Norris and Emma Pow <br> Bauder" <br> Jennie Kassanoff, Barnard College, "Poynton: Notes on the Management of Spoiled Identity" <br> Chair: Mollie Godfrey, Bates College |


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| Toll Room | 60. Theories of American Poetics: A Roundtable <br> Benjamin Friedlander, University of Maine, "Nineteenth-Century American Poetics: <br> Notes toward an Anthology" <br> Virginia Jackson, University of California, Irvine, "The World History of Nineteenth- <br> Century American Poetry" <br> Meredith McGill, Rutgers University, "1854: American Poetries" <br> Michael Warner, Yale University, "Dying in Public" <br> Chair: Virginia Jackson |
| Ballroom | 61. Affect in Melville <br> Jennifer Fleissner, Indiana University, "Anger, the Will, and Moby-Dick" <br> Gillian Osborne, University of California, Berkeley, "Bewilderingness" <br> Paul Hurh, University of Arizona, "Dread: 'The Bell-Tower"" <br> Chair: Charles Altieri, University of California, Berkeley |
| Respondent: Sianne Ngai, Stanford University |  |$|$| 62. New Approaches in US Women's Writing: A Roundtable |
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| Susan Ryan, University of Louisville, on Lydia Maria Child |
| John Ernest, West Virginia University, on Mattie Jackson |
| Dancy Glazener, University of Pittsburgh, on Charlotte Porter and Helen A. Clarke |
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| Susan M. Griffin, University of Louisville, on Harriet Prescott Spofford |
| Cherene Sherrard-Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Madison, on Pauline Hopkins |
| Dale M. Bauer, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, on E.D.E.N Southworth |
| Chair: Dale M. Bauer |

Dinner break, 6:30-8:30

| $8: 30-10: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ |  |  |
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| Members' <br>  <br> Terrace | Cash bar |  |

## SUNDAY, APRIL I5

Continental Breakfast outside all conference rooms beginning at 8:30 a.m.

|  | 9-I0:30 am |
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| Ballroom | 65. Teaching Latina/o Literature of the Nineteenth Century: A Roundtable <br> John Alba Cutler, Northwestern University, on organizing a course around "Manifest <br> Destiny" <br> José Aranda, Rice University, on regional Latina/o differences across the southwest <br> Arturo Núñez, Sonoma State University, on Latina/o journalism and varieties of <br> literariness <br> Marissa López, University of California, Los Angeles, on productive pairings and on- <br> line resources for building syllabi <br> Robert McKee Irwin, University of California, Davis, on incorporating 19th century <br> Latina/o culture into the Spanish major <br> Chair: Marissa López |
| Drawing | 66. The Material Cultures of Women's Reading \& Writing <br> Room <br> Theresa Strouth Gaul, Texas Christian University, "Catharine Brown and the <br> Cherokee Body in Print" <br> Desirée Henderson, University of Texas, Arlington, "Pen, Ink, Paper, Desk: Writing <br> Instruments and Female Authorship" <br> Elizabeth Stockton, Southwestern University, "Writing Oneself into the Courtroom: <br> The Case of Lucy Delaney" <br> Pat Okker, University of Missouri, "Reading and Writing at Sea" <br> Chair: Lori Merish, Georgetown University |
| Members' | Lounge |
| 67. Rethinking the Civil War: Prospects for Future Study <br> Kathleen Diffley, University of Iowa, "Emancipation's Growl: Antietam, the <br> Proclamation, and the Long Reach of the Overland Monthly" <br> Christopher Hager, Trinity College, "Civil War Pilgrimages: Nathaniel Hawthorne in <br> Virginia, Rebecca Harding Davis in Massachusetts" <br> Cody Marrs, University of Georgia, "The Civil War and the Problem of Literary <br> Periodization" <br> Ian Finseth, University of North Texas, "The War's Phenomenal Dead: Reflections on <br> Realism and Historicism" <br> Moderator/Respondent: Faith Barrett, Lawrence University <br> Chair: Ian Finseth |  |
| Julia Morgan |  |
| Room | 68. Temporalities of Narrative and Literary History: A Roundtable <br> Angela Calcaterra, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill, "Native Temporalities" <br> Maria Windell, Ball State University, "Temporality, Sentimentality, Empire" <br> Matthew Pethers, University of Nottingham, "Temporality and the Serial Novel" <br> Dana Ringuette, Eastern Illinois University, "Re-presenting the Present" <br> Jeffrey Insko, Oakland University, "History and Temporal Experience" <br> Robert Fanuzzi, St. John's University, "Critical Temporalities and Historical Fields" <br> Chair: Kara Thompson, College of William and Mary |

## SUNDAY

| 10:45 am-12:15 pm |  |
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| Ballroom | 69. Labor and Respectability <br> Jeffrey Makala, University of South Carolina, "Carlyle and Chartism in Transcendental America" <br> Gareth Evans, Indiana University, Bloomington, "Radical Genteel: The Politics of the Fiction Reprinted in the Voice of Industry" <br> J. Michael Duvall, College of Charleston, "Perversity and the Novel of Socialism after Bellamy" <br> Chair: Emily Todd, Westfield State University |
| Drawing Room | 70. Prospects for African American Print Culture <br> Teresa Goddu, Vanderbilt University, "The Slave Narrative as Material Text" Rynetta Davis, University of Kentucky, "Black Friends, Black Philadelphia, and Antebellum Black Print Culture" <br> Eric Gardner, Saginaw Valley State University, "Black Books, Black Ads, Black Periodicals, Black Readers" <br> Michael Stancliff, Arizona State University, "A Passionate Experiment: The Politics of Rationalizing Emancipation" <br> Chair: Ben Beck, University of Colorado, Boulder |
| Members' Lounge | 71. Temporal Deferrals and Arrivals <br> Daniel de Paula Valentim Hutchins, Northeastern University, "The Land that Bears Fruit Before Flowers: Prophecy, History and National Self-Fashioning in Joseph Smith's The Book of Mormon (1830)" <br> J. Samaine Lockwood, George Mason University, "Jewett's Other Queer Tourist: Historicity and Heteronormativity in A Marsh Island" Jonathan Daigle, Hillyer College at the University of Hartford, "Stanley's Congo, Cable's Congo Square and the Art of Civilization" <br> Stephen Carter, University of California, Santa Cruz, "Henry Adams on Ulysses S. Grant: Transforming Political Temporality" Chair: Joseph Dimuro, University of California, Los Angeles |
| Julia Morgan Room | 72. Aesthetics, Democracy and Community: Prospects and Archives <br> Vesna Bogojevic, Columbia University, "Emerson's Ecstatic Community" <br> James D. Lilley, University at Albany, SUNY, "An Inessential 'Brotherhood Among the <br> Atoms': Poe, Eureka, and the Gravity of Community" <br> David Zimmerman, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "Moral Complicity and the <br> Antebellum Network Novel" <br> Mollie Godfrey, Bates College, "Of One Blood: Between Race and the Human Race in Post-Reconstruction Politics" <br> Chair: Jennifer Greiman, University at Albany, SUNY |

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