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Message from the President

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Dear ACH Members,

A new year leads to reflections on the past months and anticipation of things to come. The Association's thoughts are with all people, and our fellow members in particular, who were hit by the hurricanes Harvey/ Irma/ Maria. We know that all members are safe; we sincerely hope that they will be able to recover and rebuild in 2018.

The coming year we will celebrate the 50th Annual conference of the ACH in Barbados, the place of the second informal meeting of Caribbean historians that would develop into the ACH. The Executive Committee met on the island this past December to prepare for the 2018 conference. As has become customary we have received more proposals than we could fit into the programme; we have tried to accommodate as many people as possible by offering slots in poster sessions. The Local Organizing Committee, chaired by Elaine Rocha, is preparing to make this year's conference an excellent meeting.

Because it is our 50th conference, there will be a few special events, such as a Roundtable of Past Presidents reflecting on the past and future of the ACH and the challenges of Caribbean history in this day and age. There will also be an exhibition on the Association at the Barbados Museum & Historical Society; hopefully it will introduce new members to the history of the organization, while for more seasoned members this will probably be a trip down memory lane.

Money is at the root of all evil, or so the saying goes, but it can also be the foundation of good things. In order to raise funds for upcoming legal expenses to incorporate the ACH, to support LOCs, and to boost the Gould-Saunders Memorial Endowment Travel Fund to enable financial assistance to graduate students, we are planning a number of actions. We will again organize a silent auction at the next conference. To this end we are seeking your assistance for donations to this auction, in the form of, for example, books, art, rum, jewelry, etc. Also we plan to sell ACH@50[®] t-shirts, limited edition. Finally, The ACH Fundraising and Development Committee, headed by Richard Blackett, will appeal to Life Members to add to their already generous contribution to the ACH.

I look forward to a great conference and reunion in Barbados and wish you all a great 2018!

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Andrés Ramos Mattei-Neville Hall Article Prize

The Andrés Ramos Mattei-Neville Hall Article Prize is a biennial award that recognizes the best article in the field of Caribbean history. The next prize will be awarded in 2018, and will cover work published in 2016 and 2017.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Any history or general work acceptable as an historical work published in a scholarly journal between 2016 and 2017 is eligible for the award, provided it has not received an award elsewhere.
- Publication may be in English, Spanish, French or Dutch.
- Work should be marked by felicity of prose style and clarity of expression.
- Multi-authored articles are not eligible.

The winner will be announced at the next ACH Annual Conference. The addresses for this year's committee are:

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ACH@50 Continuity, Change and Challenge Museum Exhibit

The Executive Committee is proud to announce that [Brill Publishers](#) and one of its flagship open access online publications [The New West India Guide/ Nieuwe West-Indische Gids](#) will be helping to sponsor a special exhibit commemorating the ACH's 50th Conference. The Barbados Museum and Historical Society (BMHS) will curate and host the exhibit in Barbados in June 2018. The Opening Ceremony of the Conference and a Special Past President's

Roundtable will be hosted at the BMHS on June 10, 2018. Members will be invited to view the exhibit at the special event. It is also hoped that the exhibit will be mounted online on the ACH's website for the rest of the year.



We are asking our members to participate in the mounting of a special exhibition in honour of our 50th Conference, which is being designed and curated by the BMHS. Many of our members are already collaborating to create content and provide translations. If you have any images, mementos or reflections you would like to share, please contact the ACH Secretary-Treasurer, Tara Inniss for more information at achsecretary@gmail.com.

ACH Fundraising: The Silent Auction is Back!



A Message from ACH Vice President, Heather Cateau, UWI St. Augustine and ACH Past President, Rita Pemberton

As part of the commemoration for our 50th Conference the Association plans to undertake several ventures. The EC has agreed to repeat some of the fundraising efforts, which have been successful in the past and will also undertake some new ventures. We are therefore asking once again

for donations for a silent auction, which can include artwork; Caribbean books; jewelry and craft and don't forget the rum! We welcome your donations and participation. Last time these auctions event raised USD \$ 1151.00 with your assistance. This money supported the Gould-Saunders Travel Award for Graduate Students and Junior Faculty to attend our conference.

We also hope to sell commemorative items such as T-Shirts and coffee mugs, which may be available for pre-order. More details will soon be available. In addition to helping the Gould-Saunders Travel Award, these fundraising measures will be used to help the support the financial position of the ACH so that much needed activities can be undertaken to support outreach and local organizing committees and other projects.

Please join us as we make this milestone a memorable event. If you have any questions or would like to make a contribution, please contact Tara Inniss, ACH Secretary-Treasurer at achsecretary@gmail.com. Please don't forget to bring your donations with you! See you in Barbados!

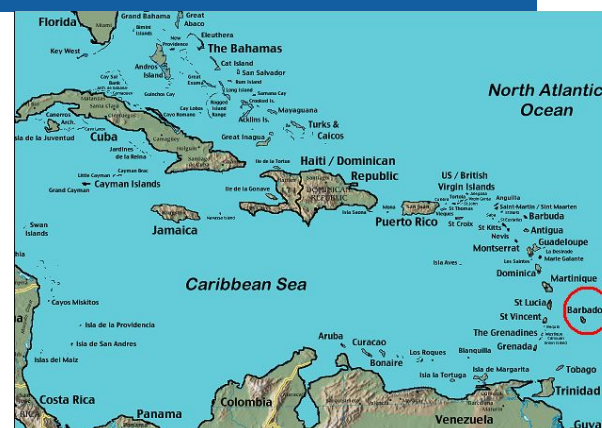
Arrangements for the 50th Annual ACH Conference, Barbados June 10-15, 2018

Una traducción al español está disponible en:

<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/annualmeeting>

Une traduction en français est disponible à l'adresse:

<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/annualmeeting>



The ACH Executive Committee is pleased to announce that the 50th Annual Conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians will be held in Barbados, from Sunday, June 10 to Friday, June 15, 2018. Registration opens early afternoon on Sunday, and sessions will begin later that day. The conference fête, our annual dinner and dance, which is highly recommended and a central feature of this organization, will be on Thursday evening, June 14.

An optional field trip is scheduled for Friday, June 15. Please make your travel plans accordingly.

CONFERENCE VENUE AND ACCOMMODATIONS

CONFERENCE HOTEL:

Accra Beach Hotel and Spa

Address: Rockley, Christ Church

Phone: (246) 435-8920

Website: <http://www.accrabeachhotel.com>

A group rate has been reserved for the ACH:

ISLAND VIEW ROOM RATE OPTIONS:

ROOM & TAXES ONLY

USD \$178.00 (Single occupancy)

ROOM, BREAKFAST & TAXES ONLY

USD \$205.00 (Single occupancy)

USD \$232.00 (Double occupancy)

Bookings can be sent to Group Sales email address: group.sales@accrabeachhotel.com. Telephone number: 1 246 435 8920 ext 5401 or 5403. **NB. Please also check the website for online specials!**

The booking requirements are listed below:

- name and number of the persons in the room
- arrival and departure date
- contact number & email address
- type of bedding
- a valid credit card to guarantee the booking, no charges are applied to the card

For a complete listing of **Alternative Accommodation Arrangements**, please visit the website.

<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/conftravel.htm>



TRAVEL TO BARBADOS

Participants travelling from Europe, US and the Caribbean can purchase flights directly to Barbados (Grantley Adams International Airport) via Caribbean Airlines, LIAT, British Airways, Virgin Airlines, American Airlines, JetBlue, US Airways, Air Canada or WestJet.

VISA REQUIREMENTS:

Passport holders of most countries do not require a visa to visit Barbados, so please check [here](#) to see if one is required for your country.

Visitors to Barbados must have a passport and valid return ticket to be allowed entry.

THINGS TO NOTE:

- Your passport must be valid for the duration of your trip
- You must have a return ticket to your country of residence
- Please note your intended address in Barbados
- You should have evidence of personal support

TRAVEL AROUND BARBADOS

The conference opens with an official welcome on Sunday, June 10, so we recommend planning to arrive in Barbados before noon on that day. Attendees are expected to arrange their own taxi transportation from the airport to the hotel; the drive is approximately 20 minutes and costs BDS \$30-40 (USD \$15-20). Taxis, Transport Board Buses and mini-buses (ZRs) are available at reasonable prices to take you around to Bridgetown and the rest of the island.



WEATHER AND CURRENCY

Located just north of the equator, Barbados enjoys a tropical climate and is sunny all year round. The average daytime temperature is 29°C (83°F) and maximums in the low to mid 30s. The water temperature is a few degrees lower. Trade Winds blow consistently, cooling the island so effectively that air-conditioning is the exception rather than the rule.

The currency of Barbados is the Barbados dollar. Coins come in denominations of BDS\$1 and 50, 25, 10, and 5 cents; and banknotes in BDS \$2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100. Major credit cards (Master Card, Visa, American Express) are accepted almost everywhere, but don't expect to use cards at small shops, stalls and bars, etc. The US dollar is accepted in most establishments, but it is wiser and cheaper to use local BDS currency. The Barbados Dollar is pegged to the US Dollar at a rate of 2:1, although banks and shops are likely to offer a slightly different exchange.



REFRESHMENTS AND LUNCH

Snack/Coffee Breaks will be provided during the conference. Lunch will be available at the conference venue for purchase. There are several restaurants and bars within walking distance of the hotel.



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP FEES:

All conference attendees and presenters must be current members of the ACH. Those who joined at the last conference will need to renew at or before this year's meeting; those who joined since the meeting in Tobago have a valid membership until just after the conference in Barbados.

For those who still need to join, you can do so via the ACH website (<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org>, just look under "Membership"), or by mail. A membership form appears on the last page of this *Bulletin* for your convenience.

There are five categories of membership (all amounts below appear in US Dollars):

- Professional Members (\$40 a year): for faculty, public history, or governmental positions.
- Students Members (\$15 a year): a special rate for graduate and undergraduate students.
- Institutional Members (\$80 a year): for colleges, universities, libraries, or museums.
- Benefactor (\$120 a year): a higher category of giving to support the organization's activities.
- Life Membership (\$400): the best membership bargain—equivalent to 10 years of annual membership, but valid for life.

In addition to annual membership, there is a registration fee for the conference itself to defray local expenses. Registration fees for the 2018 conference appear below. While participants can register at the conference, **speakers and chairs must do so in advance**, and pre-registration online is encouraged for everyone—presenting or not—to gain access to all pre-circulated conference papers. **All those presenting or chairing sessions at the conference MUST renew their membership and register for the conference by the time their pre-circulated papers are due on March 15, 2018:**

ACH Members:	USD \$185
Caribbean-based Students:	USD \$65
Non-Caribbean-based Students:	USD \$85
Guests:	USD \$100

Registration online can be completed by credit card. If you choose to register on site, fees are payable in cash.



ACCESSING PRE-CIRCULATED PAPERS

ACH presentations include both a pre-circulated 25-page paper and a brief conference presentation. The ACH is making pre-circulated papers available online for those who pre-register. The system is simple. Once the ACH receives your completed registration, you will receive a password to access the portion of the website where papers are housed. Please be aware that papers are not due until March 15; they will not, as a result, be available online until late April 2018.

You can pre-register for the conference in one of two ways:

- 1) Complete, print and mail the "Conference Pre-Registration Form" available in this *Bulletin* along with a cheque to cover your registration fee and, if necessary, membership fee.
- 2) Register online at <http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org>. You will be asked to complete an electronic registration form and pay with a credit card. Online registration will be available in February 2018.



OPTIONAL CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP(S)

There are three (3) optional field trip destinations on offer this year.

1. Heritage Finders Passport (Wednesday, June 13, 2018)

\$120 BDS/\$60 US per person

This tour is an exciting combination of a walking tour and museum experiences within the UNESCO World Heritage property Historic Bridgetown and its Garrison. Accompanied by an experienced guide, we will visit the trifecta of Heritage in Bridgetown: Exchange - A Place of Mystery and Discovery, the Nidhe Israel Museum & Synagogue and the Museum of Parliament and the National Heroes Gallery all cutting edge heritage facilities opened within the past decade or so.

Transportation will be provided from the conference venue and participants will have the opportunity to visit the local shops of Bridgetown. The tour will be approximately **3 hours and 30 mins.**

2. We Rum: A Grog a Day Keeps the Enemies Away (Option 1: Friday, June 15, 2018)

\$200 BDS/ \$100 US per person

Experience the best in Barbados rum, great company and intriguing history on our *We Rum: A Grog a Day Keeps the Enemies Away* tour. This rum and defense tour explores the impact, which rum had on the island as well as examining how sugar cane development encouraged greater protection of the island through the establishment of the British Military Garrison. Join us as we explore the facilities of Foursquare Rum Distillery, Mount Gay Rum, as well as the UNESCO World Heritage property Historic Bridgetown and its Garrison with a stop at the National Armory. The duration of this tour is **6 hours.** Lunch is included.

3. Pigtails and Breadfruit Tour (Option 2: Friday, June 15, 2018)

\$200 BDS/\$100 US per person

Explore the origins of Barbadian food on our Pigtails and Breadfruit Tour. Based on the book *Pigtails and Breadfruit: Rituals of Slave Food* by Austin Tom Clarke, the tour offers exciting history and a delicious introduction to Barbadian comfort foods. The tour will showcase the cultural influences found in traditional Barbadian food and examine the ways in which it has developed and changed. The tour will also allow participants to sample Barbadian fare along the route.

The duration of this tour is **5 hrs.** All food is included along with a complimentary drink.

ACH 2018 Conference Presentation Guidelines

A number of 2018 presenters are new to the ACH, or returning after some time away. Please take a few minutes to review the conference paper procedures:

1. Every presenter must be a member of the ACH. If you are not currently a member, you can join through the ACH website, <http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org>, by mail, or in person during registration at the conference (all presenters, please remember, must register in advance by March 15, 2018).
2. ACH papers include both a pre-circulated paper and a brief presentation at the conference. Papers can be written in English, French or Spanish, and can be no longer than 25 typed, double-spaced pages using 12-point font. This includes notes and references. Because we have more papers than usual this year, **ALL** presenters must strictly adhere to this format—papers longer than 25 pages or not double-spaced will be returned for editing.

Poster presentations are shorter, and pre-circulated papers should be limited to between 5 and 10 double-spaced pages.

To allow time to format and post material, presenters should email or mail papers on CD (as a Microsoft Word file) **NO LATER THAN March 15, 2018** to:

Gelien Matthews, ACH Conference Coordinator at achconference@gmail.com

PLEASE NOTE: You will be asked to register for the conference, and to pay for registration, at this time. Presenters who do not provide papers by the March 15, 2018 deadline will be removed from the programme and will not be permitted to present.

3. Conference papers posted online will be password protected; only after someone has registered and paid for the conference will they be able to access this portion of the website.
4. Presentations at the conference should serve to briefly introduce information in pre-circulated papers, and as such are limited to 10 minutes. Poster sessions are shorter still—5-10 minute sessions in between panel sessions. It is very important, given the number of panels and presenters this year, that all presenters strictly adhere to these time limits, and panel chairs will be charged with ensuring that panels proceed on time.
5. Presentations at the conference can be in English, French or Spanish; simultaneous translation of all presentations will be provided by the ACH.

On behalf of the ACH, a warm welcome to those of you presenting for the first time or returning after a period away. Please, do not hesitate to contact the Conference Coordinator for more details or if you have any questions.

ACH 2018 Tentative Conference Programme

SUNDAY, JUNE 10:

Registration TBA

OPENING CEREMONY TBA

TBA Panel #1: President's Roundtable: The ACH@50: Continuity, Change and Challenge

CHAIR: Rosemarijn Hoefte, Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast and Caribbean Studies (KITLV)

TBA **WELCOMING RECEPTION**

MONDAY, JUNE 11:

9:00-10:30am Panel #2: [LOCAL PANEL] TBA

10:30-10:45am **COFFEE BREAK**

10:45-12:15pm Panel #3: Emancipation and its Immediate Aftermath

CHAIR: Roderick McDonald, Rider University

PRESENTERS:

"Anxiety and Self-Assurance in Negotiating Emancipation in Bermuda's House of Assembly", Sarah Hannon and Neil Kennedy, Memorial University

"Land, Sovereignty and Belonging in Rural 19th Century Haiti: Towards a Caribbean Historiography of Repair", Winter Schneider, UCLA

"An Overlooked Land Transfer Agency in post Slavery: Land Speculators in Barbados, 1840-1870", Woodville Marshall, UWI Cave Hill Campus

"An Expedition for Freedom: Messrs. Peck and Prince in Trinidad and Guiana, 1839-40", Dexter Gabriel, University of Connecticut

12:15-1:30pm **LUNCH**

1:30-3:00pm Panel #4: Caribbean Archives: The Interplay between History and Digital Archives

CHAIR: Cherri-Ann Beckles, West Indies Federal Archive Centre, UWI Cave Hill

PRESENTERS:

"New Sources and Wider Access for Records of Caribbean Slave Societies", Angela Sutton, Vanderbilt University

“Processing the Barbados Synagogue Restoration Project Records: Reflections and Opportunities for Future Projects”, Amalia Levy, Archiveland Consulting

“Because the Future of Caribbean History Lives in Rereading its Past: Digitizing the Barbados Mercury Gazette”, Lissa Paul, Brock University

“Various Initiatives in the Barbados Archives Department”, Ingrid Thompson, Barbados Archives

3:00-3:15pm **COFFEE BREAK**

3:15-4:45pm **Panel #5: Special Roundtable -- Hurricane Impacts on Caribbean Educational & Heritage Sites: Urgent Needs and Long Term Challenges**

CHAIR: Jennifer Anderson, Stony Brook University

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

9:00-10:30am **Panel #6: Text and Testimony: The Challenges of Sources**

CHAIR: Clara Palmiste, Université des Antilles, DPLSH, Guadeloupe

PRESENTERS:

“Oral and Written Storytelling: Study of a Martinique family with African ‘slave’ Ancestors”, Céline Flory, CNRS/ EHESS

“A History of Indigenous, African, and South Asian Clandestine and Otherworldly Knowledge in the Essequibo”, Vikram Tamboli, University of Wisconsin, Madison

“Death and Burial of Slaves in the French West Indies”, Gérard LaFleur, Société d’histoire de la Guadeloupe

“An Early Edict on Slavery in English America: The Barbados Resolution of 1836”, Jerome Handler, Virginia Foundation for the Humanities.

“Locating Women in Archives of Pain”, Anasa Hicks, Florida State University

PRESENTERS: TBA

10:30-10:45am **COFFEE BREAK**

10:45-12:15pm **Panel #7: Network News: Comparative Black Transnationalism Before and After Emancipation**

CHAIR: Matthew Smith, UWI Mona Campus

PRESENTERS:

“Bordeaux’s Lost Caribbean Roots”, Lorelle Semley, College of the Holy Cross

“Networks of Liberty and Equality in the Revolutionary Caribbean”, Michelle Reid-Vazquez, University of Pittsburgh

“‘So Far to Leeward’: Eliza Moore’s Freedom Journey as Imperial Subject and Fugitive Cosmopolitan”,
Natasha Lightfoot, Columbia University

“‘Dominica’s Salvation’: Seeking Caribbean Prosperity at the Close of the Nineteenth Century”, Anne Eller,
Yale University

“Defining Boundaries: The NAACP in the Caribbean, 1910-30”, Caroline Emmons, Hampden Sydney College

12:15-1:30pm LUNCH

1:30-3:00pm Panel #8: Slavery, Power and Authority

CHAIR: Gad Heuman, Warwick University

PRESENTERS:

“‘He Had Heard the Bay of the Bloodhound’: Slave Dogs, Plantocracy Power and Abolitionism”, Charlton
Yingling, University of Louisville

“Fields of Caribbean History: Slavery and Disability”, Stefanie Kennedy, University of New Brunswick

“‘Duro es confesarlo...’: The Emotional Undercurrents and Comparative Importance of Cuban Slaveholder
Candour”, Liana Valerio, University of Warwick

“How Rumours of Slave Rebellion United the Black Diaspora, 1725-1745”, Justin Pope, Missouri University
of Science and Technology

“Refiguring the Fedon Rebellion of 1795 and its Source Base”, Kit Candlin, University of Newcastle

3:00pm-3:15pm COFFEE BREAK

3.15-3.30 pm POSTER SESSION A

“Sources to Tell Stories: First Day Covers of the Anglophone Caribbean”, Allison Ramsay, UWI St. Augustine
Campus

3:30-5:00pm Panel #9: Out of Line: Confinement and Trapped Bodies

CHAIR: Phillippe Girard, McNeese University

PRESENTERS:

“Refuse Bodies, Disposable Lives: African Captives and Death in Ports During the Early Atlantic Slave
Trade”, Marisa Fuentes, Rutgers University

“‘Reduced to Slavery’: Kidnapping and Illegal Enslavement in the Caribbean, 1830-60”, Randy Sparks,
Tulane University

“After Sale: Newly Enslaved Africans, Smallpox Quarantine and Re-Embarkation in the Eighteenth Century
Caribbean”, Elise Mitchell, New York University

“Psychopathologizing the Jibaro: Psychiatry and Incarceration in Mid-Twentieth Century Puerto Rico”,
Alberto Ortiz Diaz, University of Iowa

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13:

8:30am-10:00am Panel #10: Transplanting Cultures: Caribbean Movement and Identities

CHAIR: Kristin Block, Florida Atlantic University

PRESENTERS:

“Legal Transplantation in the British West Indies and the Reverberations thereof, 1500-1700s” Justine
Collins, Max Planck Institute for European Legal History

“Pappo and the Breadfruit: Pacific Islands, Race and Slavery ca. 1793”, Kevin McDonald, Loyola Marymount
University

“Vanishing morenos and foreign negros in late-colonial Santo Domingo”, Maria Cecilia Ulrickson, University
of Notre Dame

“Haiti and the French Antilles in the 19th Century: Migrations and Social Portrayals”, Delide Joseph, CNRS/
EHESS

“Neither Soldiers nor Warriors: The West India Regiments in the 1873-4 Anglo-Asante War and the
Remaking of African-Caribbean Identities”, David Lambert, University of Warwick

10:00-10:15am COFFEE BREAK

**10:15-11:45am Panel #11: Public Health, Welfare, and Governance in the British Caribbean,
1860s-1970s**

CHAIR: Debbie McCollin, UWI St. Augustine

PRESENTERS:

“‘We Want Practical Sympathy’: Rehabilitation, Welfare Policy, and the Problem of the Disabled Veteran in
the Interwar Caribbean”, Reena Goldthree, Princeton University

“Colonial Welfare and Girlhood: Girls’ Work and Lives at the Government Reformatory in Jamaica 1869 -
1937”, Shani Roper, Liberty Hall: The Legacy of Marcus Garvey

“The Moyne Commission: Health and Nation-Building in the British Caribbean”, Brittany Merritt, St. John’s
University

“‘Linking the Global and the Local’: Tackling Child Malnutrition in the Post-independent Anglophone
Caribbean”, Henrice Altink, University of York

11:45-12:00 pm COFFEE BREAK

12.00-12.15pm POSTER SESSION B

“The Story of Cerasee: A Miraculous Plant”, Anthony Richards and Jeanette Allsopp, UWI, Cave Hill Campus

12:15-1:45pm Panel #12: Contesting Narratives in Caribbean Intellectual Traditions

CHAIR: Claudius Fergus, UWI St. Augustine Campus

PRESENTERS:

“Reconsidering Neglect and Erasure of the Dutch Caribbean in Caribbean Historiography”, Margo Groenewoud, University of Curaçao

“The Existence or not of an Antillean Art Form (1923-1946): A Fragmented Recollection?”, Christelle Lozère-Bernard, AIHP-GEODE, Université des Antilles

“Reparation and First Peoples in Trinidad (and Tobago?): (Re)making History Visible”, Godfrey Steele, UWI, St. Augustine Campus

“The Politics of Change: Pedagogical Approaches to Caribbean Museum History and Curatorship”, Alissandra Cummins, Karen Brown and Anne’el Bain, Barbados Museum and Historical Society, University of St. Andrew’s and UWI St. Augustine

In the tradition of the Association of Caribbean Historians Conference, Wednesday afternoon is left unscheduled to allow participants the opportunity to explore the historic sites and cultural opportunities of Barbados.

OPTIONAL FIELD TRIP

THURSDAY, JUNE 14

9:00-10:30am Panel #13: Family and Gender in Slavery and Freedom

CHAIR: Edward Rugemer, Yale University

PRESENTERS:

“Drivers, Enslaved Women, and Gendered Power on Caribbean Plantations”, Randy Browne, Xavier University

“‘Sally will by no means learn to be a seamstress’: Enslaved Girlhood and Negotiations of Power and Authority in the Colonial Caribbean”, Cecily Jones, University of Warwick

“‘If I Should Fall Behind’: Motherhood, Marriage and Migration in the Mid-Nineteenth Century Leeward Islands”, Jessica Roitman, KITLV

“Comparative Reproductions: The Family in Women’s Travel Writings in the Circum-Caribbean, 1800-60”, Rikki Bettinger, University of Houston

10:30-10:45am COFFEE BREAK

10.45-11.15am POSTER SESSION C

“The Evolution of the Barbados Petroleum Industry in the Wake of the 1973 and 1979 Oil Crisis”, Sylvan Spooner, UWI Cave Hill

“The Physical Development of an Island through the Lens of Tourism”, Angelica Jackson, Parsons The New School

11.15-12:45pm **Panel #14: Decolonisation and Identity in the Dutch-speaking Caribbean**

CHAIR: Sherry-Ann Singh, UWI St. Augustine

PRESENTERS:

“Jagernath Lachmon and India”, Peter Meel, Leiden University

“Catching the Dutch Double Blind: A Historical Critical Look at the Charter of the Kingdom of the Netherlands”, Lianne Leonora, University of Curaçao

“Insurgent Intimacies: Black Radicalism and Sexual Revolution in the Dutch Atlantic, 1960s to 1970s”, Chelsea Schields, Elizabethtown College

“Tis We Ting, All Ah We: The Historical Development of Carnival on St. Maarten”, Carla Eveyln Vlaun, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

12:45-1:00pm **POSTER SESSION D**

“The Parts Unknown: An Examination of the Socio-Economic Progress of the Trinidad Syrian/ Lebanese Community during the Twentieth Century”, Fiona Rajkumar, The University of Southern Caribbean

1:00-2:00pm **LUNCH**

2:00-5:00pm **Annual General Meeting**

7:00-11:00pm **DINNER AND FÊTE**

FRIDAY, JUNE 15

FIELD TRIP

<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/fieldtrip.htm>

Conference Pre-Registration Form

To register for the 50th Annual ACH Conference in Barbados, visit the ACH website and click on “Annual Conference” and then “Registration” (<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org>), or complete, print and mail this form to:

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Forms can also be emailed to: achsecretary@gmail.com

Remember that all conference presenters and attendees must also be current members of the ACH. If you are not already a member, you can join onsite during the conference, or in advance via the ACH website (**all chairs and presenters, however, must register and pay for registration by March 15, 2018**). If registering by mail, forms must be received no later than April 30, 2018, so that all arrangements can be made in a timely manner, but you are encouraged to register early to gain online access to the conference’s pre-circulated papers. Please print as legibly as possible.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

NAME: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

TRAVEL DETAILS:

ARRIVAL DATE/TIME: _____

AIRLINE NAME/FLIGHT #: _____

DEPARTURE DATE/TIME: _____

AIRLINE NAME/FLIGHT #: _____

REGISTRATION INFORMATION (please check one):

Registration: USD \$185 _____

Student: USD \$ 85 _____

Caribbean Student: USD \$ 65 _____

Please state any special needs related to **DIET** or **MEDICAL CONDITION**. Delegates who are on doctor-prescribed medication should ensure that they travel with adequate supplies. If you are presenting at the conference, please state your **TECHNOLOGY** needs (Powerpoint, LCD projector, DVD player, CD player, etc.): _____

2018 ACH Executive Committee Nominations and Ballot

The ACH Executive Committee of seven members oversees administration of the Association. All members are chosen by a Nominating Committee of three members elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Nominating Committee is charged with ensuring that the Executive, as far as is possible from the members willing to accept nomination, reflects the geographic diversity of the Caribbean, as well as its languages and cultures. All members of the Executive are chosen to serve for one year; positions are renewable for a second year, but the period of service may differ.

I. OFFICERS

The President can serve two one-year terms, but not more than three consecutive years. The Vice-President succeeds the out-going President, if he or she is nominated. The Secretary-Treasurer is expected to serve for three years, and may be renewed for a second three-year term. The Conference Coordinator is also elected for a one-year term, which can be renewed for a second year. Although members are not asked to elect the Officers, the Nominating Committee has provided brief resumes for them, as well as for the other members of the Executive Committee up for election, so that members of the ACH can consider the composition of the Executive as a whole.

President: Rosemarijn Hoefte, KITLV, The Netherlands

Rosemarijn Hoefte is a senior researcher at the KITLV/Royal Netherlands Institute of Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies in Leiden.

Vice President: Heather Cateau, UWI, St. Augustine

Heather Cateau is Senior Lecturer in History in the Department of History, and Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus.

Secretary-Treasurer: Tara Inniss, UWI, Cave Hill

Tara Inniss is Lecturer in History in the Department of History and Philosophy at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus.

Conference Coordinator: Gelien Matthews, UWI, St. Augustine.

Gelien Matthews is Senior Lecturer in History, Department of History, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine.

II. MEMBERS (please select no more than 3 of the following 4 candidates):

There are three places filled by election, initially for one year, from a list of names provided by the Nominating Committee. These members may be nominated for a second year if they are willing to accept nomination:

- Philippe Girard (completed one year on the EC).** Philippe Girard is Professor of History in the Department of History, McNeese State University, Louisiana.
- Kathleen Monteith, UWI Mona (First Nomination).** Kathleen Monteith is Senior Lecturer in History in the Department of History and Archaeology, UWI, Mona Campus.
- Carla Pestana (completed one year on the EC).** Carla Pestana is Professor and the Joyce Appleby Endowed Chair of America and the World, Department of History, University of California, Los Angeles.
- Pedro Welch (completed one year on the EC).** Pedro Welch is retired Professor of History, and former Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Education, The University of the West Indies, Cave Hill. He is also a former Secretary/Treasurer of the ACH.

If voting by mail, please print this form and send it by **May 1, 2018** to:

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You may also bring your ballot to the ACH conference in Barbados in a sealed envelope, or blank ballots will be provided at registration.

Matters for the AGM

According to the ACH constitution: “notice of proposed amendments shall be given to members of the Association at least three months before the date of the appropriate general meeting.” The Executive Committee would like to propose the following issues for discussion in June 2018:

1. The Chair of the Andrés Ramos Mattei-Neville Hall Article Prize Committee (2017-18) has requested that eligibility rules for the prize be placed on the agenda at the upcoming meeting. Submissions so far have raised two issues that the committee thinks should be addressed. The first issue is the stipulation that only articles that have ‘not’ previously won another prize are eligible for the ACH article prize. The second issue is that the current rules do not allow us to consider co-authored essays. The Chair will be invited to speak on these matters at the next AGM.
2. The EC is suggesting that the membership give consideration to increasing Membership fees for 2018-19. Membership rates have not increased since June 2011. Since moving to an online payment system for collecting the majority of membership fees annually, the ACH has borne the brunt of increasing online transaction fees, which are currently as high as 6 percent per transaction. Also, given the number of projects that the EC would like to get underway to provide both legal and financial stability to the organization, we will need a stronger financial base from not only our membership, but also a number of fundraising projects that we have initiated. The EC would also like to do more to support the work of Local Organising Committees (LOCs) especially in the light of high translation costs for the conference. The EC would also like to provide more support for student and junior faculty members.

ADDENDUM: Minutes from the Annual General Meeting, Tobago, 2017

Please note that the List of Attendees at the Annual General Meeting in Tobago, 2017 did not appear in the last Bulletin July 2017 with the AGM Minutes. Please see the list of members who were present:

Westenley Alcenat, Onur Alptekin, Richard Blackett, Bridget Brereton, Randy Browne, Heather Cateau, John Coughlin, Audra Diptee, Kathryn Dungy, Jerome Egger, Claudius Fergus, Armando Garcia, Philippe Girard, Charlotte Gressier, Virginia Gould, Margo Groenewoud,

Cecilia Hall, Gad Heuman, Rosemarijn Hoefte, Philip Howard, Terencia Joseph, Jeffrey Kerr-Ritchie, Alexy Krichtal, Daniel Littlefield, Gelien Matthews, Janice Mayers, Michelle McDonald, Roderick McDonald, Charmaine McKenzie, Kathleen Monteith, Renee Nelson, Raymond Laureano Ortiz, Clara Palmiste, Rita Pemberton, Dextrall Peters, Carla Pestana Edward Rugemer, Soraya Asad Sanchez, Gail Saunders, Frédéric Scheider, Leonard Smith, Frederik Thomasson, Michelle Thompson, David Trotman, Roberta Walker, Lorena Walsh, Pedro Welch, Swithin Wilmot

WELCOME TO OUR NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERS

The following people have joined—or rejoined—the ACH since July 2017 to January 2018
(*Don't see your name? You were in the summer issue if you joined before July 1, 2017!*). You can join the organization and renew membership online at

<http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/membership.htm>

LIFE MEMBERS

Richard Escalente, UWI St. Augustine
Rosemarijn Hoefte, KITLV

MEMBERS and MEMBER RENEWALS

Henrice Altink, University of York
Katherine Bjork, Hamline University
Alan Cobley, UWI, Cave Hill
Paul Friedland, Cornell University
Danelle Gutarra, Princeton University
Lisa Materson, UC Davis
Brittany Merritt, University of Southern Florida
Cecilia Naylor, Barnard College
Victoria O'Flaherty, St. Kitts and Nevis Archives
Lissa Paul, Brock University
Chelsea Schields, Elizabethtown College
Sandra Taitt-Eaddy, Bajan Ancestry/ Private Researcher

STUDENT MEMBERS AND MEMBER RENEWALS

Patrick Barker, Yale University
Diane Bova, Florida Gulf Coast University
Astrid Girault, University of Montreal
Angelica Jackson, Parsons, The New School
Rosa De Jong, KITLV
Lucy Peña-Carro, University of Puerto Rico
Maria Estrella Sotomayor, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
Sabio Warner, University of Pittsburgh
Gregory Wiker, University of Rochester

Become a Member

Join the hundreds of scholars who have already joined the Association of Caribbean Historians. Our membership year runs from **June 1 to May 31**.

Benefits include:

- Electronic subscription to the semi-annual ACH newsletter, the Bulletin.
- Early notification of conference calls for papers and registration.
- Eligibility for ACH awards and prizes.

- Notification of other events and programs beneficial to members.
- Inclusion in the premier academic institution of pan-Caribbean Studies.

More importantly, you will be part of a unique multi-lingual organization that offers an unparalleled opportunity for scholarly exchange.

There are two easy ways to join. You can either print and complete the ACH membership form ([http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/pdf/ACH Website Membership Form, 7.22.11 \(1\).pdf](http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/pdf/ACH%20Website%20Membership%20Form,%207.22.11%20(1).pdf)), or join online using any major credit card (Visa, Mastercard, American Express, or Discover) <http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org/membership.htm>

There are five (5) membership categories:

Professional Members (\$40 a year): for faculty, public history, or governmental positions.

Students Members (\$15 a year): a special rate for graduate and undergraduate students.

Institutional Members (\$80 a year): for colleges, universities, libraries, museums, and other cultural and educational organizations.

Benefactor (\$120 a year): a higher category of giving to support the organization's activities.

Life Membership (\$400): the best membership bargain—equivalent to 10 years of annual membership, but valid for life.

