

REGISTRATION OPEN—Processing the Pandemic I: Loss — April 14-15, 2022 - Newberry Library, Chicago

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April 14, 2022 to April 15, 2022

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Illinois, United States

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African American History / Studies, Colonial and Post-Colonial History / Studies, Early Modern History and Period Studies, Mexican History / Studies, Native American History / Studies

Dear Colleagues,

Kindly note that free registration is now open for the following event, which will take place both in person at the Newberry Library in Chicago and on Zoom. The registration form, schedule, and list of speakers can be found here: <https://www.newberry.org/04142022-processing-pandemic-i-loss>.

With best wishes,

Bryan Brazeau, Rose Miron, and Christopher Fletcher (symposium organisers)

Processing the Pandemic I: Loss

**April 14-15, 2022
Newberry Library
In-person and on Zoom**

The defining experiences of COVID-19 have raised new questions about how we approach the study of emotions—such as which emotional expressions are socially valued and whether shared emotional experiences can transcend social, cultural, or temporal divides—and the practical applications of such studies in rebuilding our post-pandemic world.. Events over the past two years have called upon us to rethink many of our long-held assumptions, while the pandemic itself has starkly demonstrated ongoing social inequalities and the insidious legacies of settler colonialism and white supremacy.

How can we—as an open community of scholars, teachers, archivists, social workers,

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and practitioners—learn from these experiences and from each other in transformative transdisciplinary ways? How can such dialogues reframe existing discussions around the history of the emotions and our responses to trauma? Moreover, how can the study of peoples' responses to traumatic events before 1800 help guide our own experience of the pandemic?

Processing the Pandemic will attempt to trace new pathways to answer these questions. This event, the first in a multi-year series of seminars and symposia, will focus on the theme of Loss. Through roundtable discussions, collection presentations, and workshops, this program will explore how scholars, students, and professionals may use the experience of and responses to significant loss before 1800 to chart our own path towards a post-COVID-19 world.

For more information about the symposium, including a list of speakers and a link to register for in-person attendance, please visit the event calendar page here: <https://www.newberry.org/04142022-processing-pandemic-i-loss>

The Newberry Library is situated on the aboriginal homelands of the Council of the Three Fires: the Odawa, Ojibwe, and Potawatomi Nations, and the Illinois Confederacy: the Peoria and Kaskaskia Nations. Many other nations including the Myaamia, Wea, Ho-Chunk, Menominee, Thakiwaki, Meskwaki, Kiikaapoi, and Mascouten peoples also call this region home. Indigenous people continue to live in this area and celebrate their traditional teachings and lifeways. Today, Chicago is home to one of the largest urban Indigenous communities in the United States and this land remains an important place for Indigenous peoples. As a Chicago institution, it is our responsibility to acknowledge this historical context and build reciprocal relationships with the tribal nations on whose lands we are situated.

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