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Hybrid Conference: Philadelphia and Online

July 15-18, 2021

The 42nd annual meeting of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic will convene for a hybrid conference on July 15-18, 2021 in Philadelphia and online. The program committee invites proposals for in-person and virtual sessions and papers exploring all aspects of and approaches to the history and culture of the early American republic, c. 1776-1861.

We particularly encourage submissions that

- reflect the diversity of the past, but also address the most pressing issues of the present;
- expand our narratives of the early American republic to highlight Indigenous, Black, and global histories;
- fill gaps in the historical narrative and/or historiography;
- focus on pedagogy, public history, digital humanities, and other alternative methodologies;
- utilize technology to create engaging virtual programming;
- foster audience participation, feature pre-circulated papers, or assess the state of a given field.

SHEAR is committed to inclusion and diversity and encourages proposals including members of groups historically under-represented within the organization. Attention should be given to forming panels that will contribute to the gendered, racial, institutional, professional rank, and interpretive diversity of SHEAR. Affirming our commitment to diversity, the program committee asks that each panel proposal include a statement about how this panel reflects and furthers SHEAR's commitment to diversity. (See <https://www.shear.org/annual-meeting/>)

Because of the ongoing nature of the covid pandemic, the Program Committee expects to hold at least some of the 2021 programming online. All panel proposals should specify if members are only willing to present in person, could present online if needed, or would prefer to present their work online. For online programming, please indicate if you would envision your session as open (publicly available) or closed (to the panel participants and a small SHEAR audience). All panel proposals

should designate a tech chair who would be able to assist with hosting the panel if an online presentation becomes necessary.

All submissions should be filed as one document (Word doc preferred), labeled with the first initial and surname of the contact person (e.g., "SmithJ2021"). The committee will consider proposals for traditional panels (3 papers plus chair and comment), roundtables (4-5 presenters plus chair/moderator), or other creative panel formats. Submissions should include a panel title with a one-paragraph description of the panel's topic; email addresses and institutional affiliations (if any) for all participants; a title and 100-word abstract for each paper; a single-page curriculum vitae for each participant; and panel diversity statement. All proposals should include indication of any needs for ADA accommodation or requirement and any audiovisual requests.

Individuals interested in serving as chairs, commentators, or tech chairs should submit a single-page curriculum vitae.

The committee reserves the right to alter and rearrange proposed panels and participants. Please refer to the guidelines and FAQ on the SHEAR website under the "Annual Meeting" menu.

Deadline for submission is January 1, 2021. Please submit your proposals by email to the program committee co-chairs at SHEAR2021@gmail.com with "SHEAR2021" in the subject line.

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