

## ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE

The conference aims to identify new directions and new trends in scholarship on the American Revolution. The conference organizers expect that it will be the first in a series of conferences exploring important themes on the era of the American Revolution. The four themes that will guide the first conference are Global Perspectives, Power, Violence, and Civil War.

The format of the conference will differ from most academic conferences. Instead of privileging papers, the conference organizers have created a program that aims to foster conversation between panelists and the audience with the hope that this dialogue will point toward the new directions in scholarship that the conference hopes to catalyze. We expect the audience to be as much a part of the conference as the panelists.

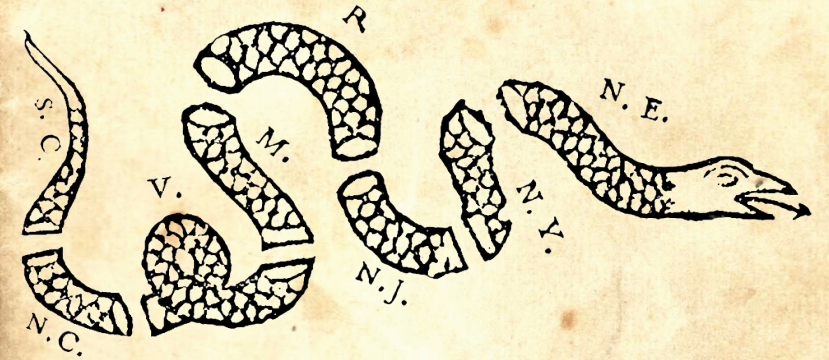
Instead of reading papers, panelists will pre-circulate short papers (10 pages). In the papers sessions, panelists will have just eight minutes to present their work, leaving the larger part of each papers session for further discussion with the audience. After each papers session, a commentary session will follow. A group of eminent scholars will continue the conversation, reflecting on what was said in the papers section. They too will have just eight minutes, leaving further time for further discussion. In addition, the conference has ample time for participants to talk casually with one another between sessions and at lunch and dinner each day. The conference will “happen” outside the sessions as much as in them.

## SPONSORS

The organizers of The American Revolution Reborn would like to thank Frank Fox, who challenged us to conceive a conference that would make a difference. The generosity of the American Philosophical Society, the David Library of the American Revolution, the McNeil Center for Early American Studies, and the Museum of the American Revolution matched Frank's and made the conference a reality. We would also like to thank the Library Company of Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania, and Williams College for their additional support.

# THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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## NEW PERSPECTIVES FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

PHILADELPHIA  
MAY 30 – JUNE 1, 2013

**MCEAS**  
University of Pennsylvania  
3355 Woodland Walk,  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-4531  
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**Thursday, May 30, 2013**

*University of Pennsylvania Law School, Golkin 100, Michael A. Fitts Auditorium  
3501 Sansom Street (Note Change)*

**Opening Roundtable  
4:00PM-5:00PM**

**Moderator:**  
Daniel K. Richter, University of Pennsylvania

**Discussants:**  
Edward Gray, University of Florida  
Jane Kamensky, Brandeis University

**5:30PM Reception: The McNeil Center for Early American Studies**  
University of Pennsylvania, 3355 Woodland Walk (34th and Sansom Streets)

**Friday, May 31, 2013**

*The American Philosophical Society, Benjamin Franklin Hall, 427 Chestnut St.  
- Space Permitting*

**Morning Session: Global Perspectives  
9:30AM-11:00AM**

**Chair:** Andrew O'Shaughnessy, Robert H. Smith International Center for Jefferson Studies

**"Transatlantic Protestantism and the Challenge of the Revolution"**  
Kate Carté Engel, Southern Methodist University

**"The United States in the Age of Revolutions: A Reconsideration"**  
Caitlin Fitz, Northwestern University

**"The Changing Nature of Transatlantic Migration in the Age of Revolution"**  
Aaron Fogleman, Northern Illinois University

**"British Union and American Revolution: Unions, Sovereignty, and the Multinational State."**  
Ned Landsman, Stony Brook University

**11:30AM-12:30PM**  
**Chair:** Rosemarie Zagarrri, George Mason University  
**Commentary:**  
Linda Colley, Princeton University  
Ed Countryman, Southern Methodist University  
Christine Heyrman, University of Delaware

**Afternoon Session: The American Revolution as a Civil War  
2:00-3:30PM**  
**Chair:** Barbara Oberg, Princeton University

**"Intimacies of Occupation: Fraternization, Compromise, and Betrayal in Revolutionary-era Newport"**  
Travis Glasson, Temple University

**"The Other Three-Fifths: Neutrals in the American Revolution"**  
Michael McDonnell, University of Sydney

**"Loyalism, Citizenship, American Identity: The Shoemaker Family"**  
Kimberly Nath, University of Delaware

**"In but not of the Revolution: Neutrals and British-Occupied Philadelphia"**  
Aaron Sullivan, Temple University

**4:00PM-5:00PM**  
**Chair:** Benjamin Irvin, University of Arizona  
**Commentary:**  
Li Jianming, Peking University  
Marjoleine Kars, University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, Harvard University

**5:30PM Reception: The Library Company of Philadelphia, 1314 Locust St.**  
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**Saturday, June 1, 2013**

*The American Philosophical Society, Benjamin Franklin Hall, 427 Chestnut St.  
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**Morning Session: Violence and the American Revolution  
9:30AM-11:00AM**  
**Chair:** Michael Zuckerman, University of Pennsylvania

**"This is the Skin of a Whit Man': Visual Memory and the Materiality of Violence in the American Revolution"**  
Zara Anishanslin, CUNY-Staten Island,

**"Executioners of their Friends and Brethren': Naval Impressment as an Atlantic Civil War"**  
Denver Brunsman, George Washington University

**"Environmental History and the Revolution: Gunpowder as a Test Case"**  
David Hsiung, Juniata College

**11:30AM-12:30PM**  
**Chair:** Patrick Spero, Williams College  
**Commentary:**  
Margaretta Lovell, University of California, Berkeley  
Marcus Rediker, University of Pittsburgh  
Peter Thompson, Oxford University

**Afternoon Session: Power and the American Revolution  
2:00PM-3:30PM**  
**Chair:** Woody Holton, University of South Carolina

**"Calculated to Awake their Boyish Emulation': The Great Awakening, Academies, and the American Revolution"**  
Mark Boonshoft, Ohio State University

**"Disorder, Slave Property, and Economic Development in the Revolutionary South"**  
Matthew Spooner, Columbia University

**"Where Tyranny Begins: British Imperial Expansion and the Origins of the American Revolution, 1758-1766."**  
Bryan Rosenblithe, Columbia University

**4:00PM-5:00PM**  
**Chair:** Kathleen Brown, University of Pennsylvania  
**Commentary:**  
Annette Gordon-Reed, Harvard University  
David Shields, University of South Carolina

**Concluding Roundtable  
5:00PM-6:00PM (note time change)**  
**Moderator:**  
Brendan McConville, Boston University

**Discussants:**  
Kathleen DuVal, University of North Carolina  
Claudio Saunt, University of Georgia  
Thomas Slaughter, University of Rochester  
Alan Taylor, University of California, Davis

**6:00PM-8:00PM (note time change)**  
**Reception: Museum of the American Revolution, 123 Chestnut St.**  
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