

*South Carolina Historical
Association:
Annual Meeting and
Conference*



Virtual Meeting

Saturday, March 12, 2022

Schedule:

Social time: Saturday March 12, 9 – 9:30 am

Panel Sessions: Saturday, March 12, 9:30 am – 3:45 pm

Keynote Address & Business Session, March 12, 12:30 – 2:30 pm

All events will take place on Zoom

Session A

9:30 – 10:45 am

Panel 1: “Remember the Women”

Chair and Discussant: Angela Elder, Converse University

“Ann Drayton: ‘Never Underestimate the Power of a Middle-Aged Woman,’” Barbara Spence Orsolits, The Atlanta History Center

“Ireland’s Designation of Aethelflaed as Queen of the Saxons,” Melanie Maddox, The Citadel

“A Woman’s Influence: France, England, and King Arthur’s Court,” Edith Hutcheson, Student, Converse University

Panel 2: Perspectives on War”

Chair and Discussant: Robert C. Figueira, Lander University

Overcoming Adversity with Resolve and Family: The Military Odyssey of William Harrison Saunders (1892- 1919),” Fritz Hamer, South Carolina Confederate Room and Military Museum (Retired)

“Brigham Young’s 1858 Coded Letter: A Utah War Mystery,” Ken Alford, Brigham Young University

“Lessons from America’s Longest War For the 21st Century,” Joseph Edward Lee, Winthrop University.

Panel 3: Convicts, Smugglers & White Supremacists

Chair and Discussant: Alexia Jones Helsley, USC Aiken

“Upstate South Carolina’s Convict Labor History,” Adara Aho, Student, Converse University

“How the ‘White City’ Upheld White Supremacy,” Karen Mims, Student, Converse University

“An Outlaw as the American Ideal: The Prohibition Smuggler,” Morgan Chicos, Student, Converse University

Session B

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

Panel 4: “Reshaping South Carolina’s Social and Political Terrain – the 1960s and 1970s Antiwar Organizing, a Third-Party Challenge and the Republican Surprise.”

Chair and Discussant: Bianca Powlett, USC Sumter

“From a Declension Narrative to a Surprising Victory: The Republican Gubernatorial Triumph in the 1974 Election,” Jason Kirby, Francis Marion University

“Building a Movement: The UFO Coffeehouse in Columbia, South Carolina, and the Vietnam War-Era GI Movement,” Sarah King, USC Aiken

Panel 5: “New Perspectives from the Palmetto State”

Chair and Discussant: Felice F. Knight, The Citadel

“William Richardson Hunt and the Saving of South Carolina’s Records,” Alexia Jones Helsley, USC Aiken

“The Hidden and Forgotten - The Experiences of Women with Mental Illness Living in 19th Century South Carolina,” Sierra Feser, Student, Converse University

“Sharecropping Agreements and More from Historic Brattonville, South Carolina,” Lisa Bratton, Tuskegee University

Panel 6: “Religious Movements”

Chair and Discussant: Elizabeth A. Georgian, USC Aiken

“If judgement begin at the house of God: how South Carolina gave rise to the King James Version Only movement,” Joseph P. Bratcher, Palmetto College at University of South Carolina Columbia

“...Again Shall Be”: the Intermarriage of Norse Paganism and Norwegian National Romanticism in the 1990s Black Metal Church Burnings.” Albert O. Jackson, student, USC Aiken

“A Black Swan in the Flock: Alexander McLeod, Thomas Donnelly, Slavery and the Carolina Covenanters in Rocky Creek, South Carolina, 1801-02,” Otis Pickett, Mississippi College [University]

Lunch, Keynote, and Business Meeting

12:30 – 2:30 pm

Keynote Address

1:00 pm

“The Police Courts with the Brogue’, The Irish Policeman in the British Empire” –
Michael Silvestri, Clemson University

Michael Silvestri is Associate Professor of History at Clemson University. A specialist in modern British and Irish history, he is the author of two books, *Ireland and India: Nationalism, Empire and Memory* (2009) and *Policing “Bengali Terrorism” in India and the World: Imperial Intelligence and Revolutionary Nationalism, 1905-1939* (2019), and a co-author of the textbook *Britain Since 1688: A Nation in the World* (2014).

SCHA Annual Business Meeting

As Board nominees for elections (floor nominations will also be accepted)

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Session C

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm

Panel 7: “Politics and Social Order”

Chair and Discussant: Alice Taylor Corbett, South Carolina Humanities Council

“Politics and Dissent: The 1861 and 1863 Congressional Elections in North Carolina and the Limits of Confederate Nationalism,” Michael Brem Bonner, USC Lancaster.

“Black Republican Evolution, South Carolina, 1944-2020,” Dan Ruff, Midlands Technical College

“A Secret Hope of Scrigleing Her Soon: Harry St. John Dixon, Adolescence, Slavery, Masculinity, and Desire in Antebellum Mississippi,” David Parker, MA student, University of Georgia

Panel 8: War and Remembrance

Chair and Discussant: Fritz Hamer, South Carolina Confederate Room & Military Museum (retired)

“New Perspectives on the Origins of the Westo War,” Peter Moore, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

“‘The melancholy scene of his last moments’: Death and Propaganda in the American Revolution,” Anne Marie Martin, Catawba College

“*Nine from Aberdeen at 10 Years: The Still-Undiscovered Country of EOD History,*” Jeffrey Leatherwood, American Military University

Panel 9: Integration: Social and Educational

Chair and Discussant: Melanie C. Maddox, the Citadel

“The Law and History: Three approaches to integrating Pre-Law Studies into Your History Program,” Elizabeth A. Georgian, University of South Carolina Aiken

“Human Rights and Social Integration: The Transformation of Intellectual Disability in Spain, 1970–1990,” Samuel Pierce, USC Aiken

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