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Message from the President

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Greetings from Richmond, Virginia! We had a great year in 2012 during which we held our Annual Conference in Curaçao. As we prepare to hold our 2013 Annual Conference in Belize for the first time ever, the year is already shaping up to be one of our most successful. Indeed, the Association of Caribbean Historians continues to experience significant growth and renewal as evidenced by the overwhelming number of strong paper and panel proposals from graduate students and established scholars. Also, preparations for the Belize conference are going well, and members of the ACH Executive Committee (EC) continue to render dedicated service to ensure forward momentum.

In October, 2012, the ACH Executive Committee met in Belize to work with the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) to plan the 2013 conference. I arrived a few days before the other members and used the extra time to help set things in motion with great assistance from LOC members Nigel Encalada and Allan Moore, who were gracious and extraordinary hosts to the EC throughout. The day after my arrival, they drove my wife and I to the south of the country—a journey of about 6 hours—stopping at caves, Mayan ruins and villages, and other places of interest so that we could see as much of the country as possible. The return journey to the Best Western Hotel in Belize City the next day was followed by a three-hour journey to the San Ignacio Resort Hotel where I met and socialized with the manager who showed me the facilities with which I was very impressed, as were other EC members.

The Belize conference was not easy to organize. The main difficulty was finding suitable accommodation where participants would not be required to settle their entire hotel bill three months prior to the conference—a common practice in Belize. Together with the LOC, we worked very hard to overcome this hurdle. To be sure, special thanks are due to Nigel and Allan who invested an enormous amount of time in our visit and did so with grace and a good dose of humor.

The number of high quality paper proposals we received also posed a challenge, even more so than last year, which explains the reversion to a Sunday afternoon start. We spent considerable time vetting the proposals, and the EC continued to refine the process right down to the end with great assistance and cooperation from Secretary-Treasurer Michelle McDonald. The spirit of goodwill and common purpose that prevailed throughout bodes well for the future of the ACH. It has made my tenure as president meaningful and enriching. I therefore take advantage of this last message to thank everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve. It has been a great ride!

All the best for 2013! See you in Belize in May!

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Scholarship of Interest

Jerome Handler and Kenneth Bilby, *Enacting Power: The Criminalization of Obeah in the Anglophone Caribbean, 1760-2011* (Mona: University of the West Indies Press, 2012).

More than two and a half centuries after it was first outlawed in Jamaica in 1760, obeah remains illegal in most territories of the former British West Indies. Yet, opinions on the meaning and essential nature of this controversial Afro-Caribbean spiritual phenomenon vary widely. While many contemporary West Indians hold negative views of obeah, viewing it as evil witchcraft or sorcery, others point to its widespread use in healing, protection from harm and solving a wide range of everyday problems - positive views that were also commonly held by enslaved West Indians in earlier generations.

Despite the scholarly attention obeah has received, relatively little has been written about the many laws enacted against it in different territories at different periods. Offering a perspective on obeah that challenges conventional conceptions of this widely misunderstood aspect of West Indian society and culture, the core of this book is a detailed examination of anti-obeah laws, and their socio-political implications, in seventeen jurisdictions of the English-speaking Caribbean from the period of slavery to the present.

Aside from chronologically tracing in each territory the development of these laws and their major provisions, the book also examines how anti-obeah legislation has helped to create and perpetuate cultural distortions that resound into the present. Anti-obeah legislation, particularly after the end of slavery in the nineteenth century, played a central role in creating public misunderstandings of the meaning and role of obeah among the West Indian masses, and led to the stigmatization and devaluation among future generations of African derived spiritual beliefs and practices.

For ordering information see:

<http://uwipress.com/content/enacting-power>

Arrangements for the 45th Annual ACH Conference, Belize, 2013

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 45th Annual Conference of the Association of Caribbean Historians will be held in San Ignacio, Belize from Sunday, May 12 to Friday, May 17, 2013. Registration will open on Sunday midday, and sessions begin Sunday afternoon at 3:00pm, running through the end of the afternoon on Thursday. The conference fête, our annual dinner and dance—both highly recommended and a central feature of this organization—is Thursday evening, May 16, and an optional field trip to nearby historic venues, including important Mayan archeological sites, is scheduled for Friday, May 17. Please make your travel plans accordingly.

CONFERENCE VENUE AND ACCOMMODATIONS:

All conference sessions will be held at the San Ignacio Resort Hotel, and participants will be housed here and at the Windy Hill Resort. Both hotels are offering a special rate of \$140/a night, including taxes, fees and breakfast daily, for ACH attendees. All rooms at the San Ignacio Resort Hotel have been booked as of the printing of this newsletter, and reservations are now being accepted for Windy Hill, located less than 3 miles from the conference site. Free shuttle service will be provided between hotels in the morning and evening daily.

These rates are valid 2 days before and after the conference; additional days at the reduced rate may be possible based on availability.

Reservations should be made with the hotel directly. Please note that these rates are only guaranteed through March 15, 2013, and that a credit card will be required to hold each request. After that date, the conference rate cannot be guaranteed.

The San Ignacio Resort Hotel will manage bookings for BOTH hotels. To request a room, please send an email with your arrival and departure information, number of occupants, and room type preference to reservations@sanignaciobelize.com, or call (501) 824-2034 or toll free at (855)488-2624. All rooms are the same price, but size and view vary. Book early to ensure you get the room you want!

Please specify you are attending the Association of Caribbean Historians Conference to receive the conference rate. For more information about these sites and their amenities, visit the hotel websites at:

San Ignacio Resort Hotel: <http://www.sanignaciobelize.com/>

Windy Hills Resort Hotel: <http://www.windyhillresort.com/>



San Ignacio Resort Hotel

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HOTEL AMENITIES:

- Air conditioned rooms
- Sustainable mahogany and Belizean hardwood furniture
- Local art
- WIFI access
- In-room television
- Iron/board
- Hair dryer
- Bathrobes
- Pool
- Nearby nature trails
- Garden and Deluxe Balcony rooms feature private patios and hammocks



HOW TO RESERVE YOUR CONFERENCE HOTEL ROOM:

To reserve your conference hotel room, please do the following:

1. Send an email with your arrival and departure information, number of occupants, and room type preference to reservations@sanignaciobelize.com OR book your hotel room by telephone. The hotel's telephone number is (501)824-2034 or toll free at (855)488-2624.
2. The hotel will take your name, preferred room and arrival and departure dates, then email a confirmation and credit card authorization form. You will be asked to complete and fax or email back the credit card authorization form, and will in return receive a final confirmation.
3. The San Ignacio Resort Hotel is handling reservations for both itself and Windy Hills Resort; both facilities are \$140.00 a night, including taxes and fees, and breakfast daily.
4. All reservations will require a credit card for confirmation, although payment is not charged until checkout.
5. Please note, however, that while a full refund (minus a \$30.00 USD handling fee) will be made on cancellations 60 days or more prior to the scheduled trip, for cancellations 60-45 days in advance a 50% refund will be given, and cancellations 45 days or less prior to arrival—no refund will be given. *In other words, please ensure that your funding is in place before making your hotel reservation.*
6. Unless specifically requested, rooms will be booked at the San Ignacio first, and Windy Hills only after rooms at the San Ignacio are full (as of the printing of this newsletter, all rooms at the San Ignacio have been booked).
7. All rooms are the same price—but size and view vary. To ensure you get the room you want, please book as early as possible, and visit the hotel website for specific information about room amenities.



TRANSPORTATION:

American Airlines, United, and Delta all operate flights to Belize City International Airport. Please research your flight schedule soon as some routes may require overnight stays or early morning departures. The first conference session is scheduled for Sunday at 3:00pm, so we recommend that you plan to arrive in Belize City by noon if at all possible; the drive to San Ignacio is approximately an hour and a half.

Shuttle service will be arranged from Belize City International Airport to San Ignacio, located 70 miles in the interior. Up to three shuttles will operate daily on Saturday, May 11 and Sunday, May 12 for arrivals, and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday May 17, 18, and 19 for departures (exact times will be based on participants' travel schedules collected as part of your conference registration, so it is important to provide as much information as possible). The shuttle rate is \$35.00 US each way.

Those traveling outside these dates must arrange their own transportation with the San Ignacio Resort Hotel; rates average \$152.00 if traveling alone, or \$78.00 for a shared taxi.



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 Curaçao have a valid membership until just after the conference in Belize.

For those who still need to join, you can do so during conference registration, or in advance 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, 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.

In addition to annual membership, there is a registration fee for the conference itself to defray local expenses. Registration fees for the 2013 conference appear below. While participants can register at the conference, pre-registration online is encouraged. It provides access to all pre-circulated conference papers as well as advanced information about all formal and informal activities related to the conference. PLEASE NOTE: 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, 2013:

ACH Members:	\$115
Caribbean-based Students:	\$30
Non-Caribbean-based Students:	\$60

Online registration will open on the ACH website in February. Please check back periodically at <http://www.associationofcaribbeanhistorians.org>.

Registration online can be completed by credit card. If you chose to register on site, fees are payable in cash or travelers cheques only.



OPTIONAL CONFERENCE FIELD TRIP:

It is a long-standing tradition of the ACH to organize an optional field trip during the Friday of our conference to allow attendees to experience the history and culture of our host venue.

This year's excursion is scheduled for Friday, May 17 and will include both natural and historic sites, some focusing on ancient Mayan civilizations near San Ignacio.

More details will be posted on the ACH website shortly.



WEATHER, CURRENCY AND VISA REQUIREMENTS:

Belize is typically warm day and night year round. Temperatures range from 30 degrees Celsius (the mid- to upper-80s) in the day to 27 degrees Celsius (or 79 degrees Fahrenheit) in the evening, though it is noticeably cooler in the interior where we will be located. Moreover, the conference room will be air conditioned, so bring a light jacket or sweater for indoors. For evening receptions, delegates are advised to bring appropriate apparel.

Belize's currency, the Belizean dollar (BZ\$), has been fixed for many years at US\$0.50. Coins come in denominations of one, five, 10, 25 and 50 cents and one dollar; bills come in denominations of 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100 dollars. The 25-cent coin is sometimes called a shilling, and you may hear the 100-dollar bill referred to as a "bluenote."

All visitors must travel to Belize on a valid passport (non-expired). The passport must be valid for no less than six months after the intended period of stay in Belize.

Nationals of the following countries do NOT require a visa to enter Belize as a tourist for a period of 30 days:

- Citizens of the European Union (EU)
- Citizens of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)
- Citizens of the United States and dependent territories
- Costa Rica
- Chile
- Guatemala
- Iceland
- Citizens of the Commonwealth Realm
- Mexico
- Norway
- South Africa
- Switzerland
- Tunisia
- Uruguay

Nationals of most other countries REQUIRE a visa to enter Belize. For more information about visa requirements, visit: <http://www.belize-immigration.org/immigration/visa/>



ACCESSING PRE-CIRCULATED PAPERS:

ACH presentations include both a pre-circulated 25-page paper and a brief conference presentation. This is the third year that the ACH is making pre-circulated papers available online for those who choose to 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 April 1, 2013. 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 check 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 early February 2013.

ACH 2013 Conference Presentation Guidelines

A number of 2013 presenters are new to the ACH, or returning after some time away. Please take a few minutes to review the conference paper procedures:

1. Each 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.
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.
3. Papers will be posted online at the ACH website in advance and can be accessed only by those who pre-register and pay their conference registration.
4. To allow time to format and post material, presenters should e-mail or mail papers on CD (as a Microsoft Word file) NO LATER THAN March 15, 2013 to: Michelle McDonald, ACH Secretary-Treasurer at achsecretary@gmail.com

Richard Stockton College, 101 Vera King Farris Drive, Galloway, NJ 08205, USA

PLEASE NOTE: Presenters will NOT be allowed to bring papers to the conference this year. All papers must be submitted in advance. Presenters who do not provide papers by the March 15, 2013 deadline will be removed from the program and will not be permitted to present at the conference. This is,

coincidentally, the same deadline for hotel reservations at the conference rate, so you have only one important date to remember.

5. Conference papers posted online will be password protected; only after someone has registered for the conference will they be able to access this portion of the website.
6. In addition, if you have not already done so, presenters are asked to provide abstracts (no longer than 250 words) translated in English, French and Spanish (you must supply all three languages). These are distributed to conference attendees and help to ensure multi-lingual participation, so please provide professional translations of your work. These are also due with your papers no later than March 15, 2013. Please be sure that your abstract includes: a) your full name, b) your institutional affiliation and c) full title of the paper.
7. Presentations at the conference should serve to briefly introduce information in pre-circulated papers, and as such are limited to 10 minutes. It is very important, given the number of panels and presenters this year, that all presenters comply with this 10-minute limit, and panel chairs will be charged with ensuring that panels proceed on time.
8. Presentations at the conference can be in English, French or Spanish; simultaneous translation of all presentations will be provided.
9. Presenters are encouraged to distribute their papers to the other members of their panel and to the panel chair before the conference, and we strongly recommend that presenters arrange to briefly meet with their panel chair at the conference prior to their presentation. Those unable to attend the conference for any reason are asked to notify the ACH Secretary-Treasurer (achsecretary@gmail.com) as soon as possible so that the schedule might be adjusted.

2013 Preliminary Conference Programme

SUNDAY, May 12: Conference Delegates arrive; pre-registration opens by 1:30pm.

3:30-5:00pm—Panel #1: Caribbean Law, Courts and Crime

Chair: Jonathan Dalby, University of the West Indies, Mona

Juan J. Ponce-Vázquez, St. Lawrence University, “Partner, Accomplice, and Chattel: The Relationship between Masters and Slaves in Santo Domingo in the Seventeenth Century”

Linda Rupert, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, “Henceforth All Slaves Who Seek Refuge in My Domains Shall Be Free’: Spanish Royal Decrees Regarding Inter-Imperial Marronage in the Eighteenth-Century Caribbean”

Arnaud Clermidy, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, “Les esclaves face à la justice coloniale au début du XIXème siècle d’après les archives de la cour d’appel de la Guadeloupe”

Tyler Parry, Ph.D. Candidate, University of South Carolina, “Performed among Themselves’: Marriage, Ritual and Power in the African Diaspora”

David Trotman, York University, “Crime, Culture and Politics: Juvenile Delinquency in Colonial Trinidad and Tobago”

5:00-5:15 **Break**

5:15-6:45pm—Panel #2: Ethnicity and Identity in Caribbean Context

Chair: Kathleen Wilson, Stony Brook University

Bethan Fisk, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Toronto, “Afro-Creole Approaches to the Sacred in Late Colonial Cartagena de Indias”

James Dator, Goucher College, “Frank Travels: Enslaved Cosmopolitanism in the Early Eighteenth-Century British Leeward Islands”

Jessica Krug, George Washington University, “Social Dismembership, Social [Re]Membering: Koramanti Identity and Obeah in Eighteenth-Century Jamaica”

Philippe Girard, McNeese University, “Editing the Memoir(s) of Toussaint Louverture”

7:00-9:00pm **Opening Reception, San Ignacio Hotel Veranda and Pool Deck**

Monday, May 13:

9:00-10:30am-Panel #3: Maya Archeology in Belize (local panel)

10:30-10:45am **Break**

10:45-12:15pm—Panel #4: Diversity of Labor during the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries

Chair: Georgia Fox, California State University, Chico

Erin Stone, Ph.D. Candidate, Vanderbilt University, “The Search for Indigenous Slaves in the Circum-Caribbean: The Key to New World Exploration and Conquest”

John Coakley, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Wisconsin-Madison, “Jamaica’s Slave Sellers: The Inter-Imperial Slave Trade in Jamaica, 1670-1692”

Eric Otremba, Macalester College, “Workhouses, Barracoons, and other Reform Projects of the Seventeenth-Century English Caribbean”

Justin Roberts, Dalhousie University, “Surrendering Surinam: Competing Visions of Expansion in the Early English Caribbean and the Treaty of Breda, 1640-1670”

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

1:30-3:00pm—Panel #5: Gendered Histories of the Caribbean

Chair: Jean-Pierre Sainton, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane

Roderick McDonald, Rider University, “Sex, Power and Slavery in Late Eighteenth-Century Dominica”

Christine Walker, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Michigan, “An ‘Unkind, Unquiet and Turbulent Wife’: Gender, Slavery and the Boundaries of Authority in Colonial Jamaica”

Sabine Lamour, Université d'Etat d'Haïti, “Emancipation et rapports sociaux de sexe : vers une analyse féministe de la période transitionnelle (1790-1801) à Saint- Domingue”

Nieve de los Ángeles Vázquez Lazo, Universidad de Puerto Rico, “Higiene, ginecología y espéculos: La mujer de Puerto Rico y Cuba ante la mirada científica (1880-1920)”

3:00-3:15pm **Break**

3:15-4:45pm— Panel #6: Explaining Health and Sickness in Caribbean Societies

Chair: Pedro Welch, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill

Kristen Block, Florida Atlantic University, “Dirt-eating and Despair in the Colonial Caribbean”

Pablo Gomez, University of Wisconsin-Madison, “Blackening the Enlightenment: *Inmunización* before *Vacunación* in the Eighteenth Century Spanish Caribbean”

Ann Zulawski, Smith College, “Puerta de Tierra, Puerto Rico: Poverty, Health and Urban Development in a Caribbean City, c. 1880-1930”

Jill Briggs, Ph.D. Candidate, University of California, Santa Barbara, “Disciplining the National Body: Reproduction and Disease in the Discourse of Jamaican Nationalism (1937-1944)”

Tuesday, May 14:

9:00-10:30am—Panel #7: Production, Trade, and the Creation of Regional Economies

Chair: Danielle Bégot, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane

Jennifer Anderson, Stony Brook University, “Mapping the Politics of Mahogany in Belize, 18th-19th Centuries”

Marie Hardy, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, “Les habitations caféières de la Martinique à travers les actes notaries du XVIII^{ème} et du XIX^{ème} siècle”

Abby Schreiber, Ph.D. Candidate, Ohio State University, “The Role of Baltimore Merchants in Caribbean Material Culture, 1790-1830”

Victor Wilson, Ph.D. Candidate, Åbo Akademi University, “Saint Barthélemy as a Caribbean Free Port, 1784-1820”

Ale Pålsson, Ph.D. Candidate, Stockholm University, “Investing in Sweden: Naturalization of Foreign Merchants in St. Barthélemy”

10:30-10:45am Break

10:45-12:15pm— Panel #8: Organizations and Clubs as Cultural Brokers

Chair: Fernando Picó, Universidad de Puerto Rico

John Garrigus, University of Texas, “A secret brotherhood? The Question of Black Freemasonry before and during the Haitian Revolution”

Virginia Gould, Tulane University, “That the Gospel Might be Preached to the Poor: The Sisters of the Holy Family in Belize”

Alison Okuda, Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “Crossing Oceans and Cultures in London: Narratives of Music, Literature and Perspective”

Tyesha Maddox, Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “Invisible Immigrants: Anglo-Phone Caribbean Immigrants in the U.S., 1850s-1930s”

Lauren Poluha, Ph.D. Candidate, University of California, Los Angeles, “Negotiating Garifuna Ethnicity through Religious Music”

Jacques Dumont, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane and Oliver Malo, Ph.D. Candidate, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, “Is Mayolé fading away? A comparative study on popular culture and so-called traditional sports in the FWI”

12:15-1:30pm Lunch

1:30-3:00pm—Panel #9: Complicating Colonialism in Puerto Rico

Chair: Antonio Gaztambide, Universidad de Puerto Rico

Anne Macpherson, The College at Brockport, State University of New York, “‘The Law Has Enflamed the Whole Island’: The Fair Labor Standards Act in Puerto Rico, 1938-40”

Geoff Burrows, The Graduate Center, City University of New York, “The New Deal in Puerto Rico: Slum Clearance and the Puerto Rico Reconstruction Administration”

Teresita Levy, Lehman College, City University of New York, “The Puerto Rican Farmers’ Association (*Asociación de Agricultores Puertorriqueños - AAP*) and the Agricultural Relief Act of 1933”

Katherine L. Caldwell, University of Denver, “Married Women’s Nationality in Puerto Rico and the Transformation of Citizenship in the Twentieth Century”

3:00pm-3:15pm Break

3:15-4:45pm—Panel #10: Emancipation as a Lived Process: Toward a New Genealogy of Freedom in the Caribbean

Chair: Herman Bennett, City University of New York

Ebony Jones, Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “Ironic Twists of Fate: Slave Rebellion, Banishment, and Freedom”

Max Mishler Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “New Geographies of Caribbean Freedom: “French Negroes” and Gradual Emancipation in New York”

Nathalie Pierre, Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “‘Free by right, and independent in fact’: Henri Christophe’s Naval Blockade, 1806-1813”

Shauna Sweeney, Ph.D. Candidate, New York University, “Provisioning Freedom: Subsistence Cultivation and the Transition to Free Labor in Jamaica, 1833-1900”

Gad Heuman, University of Warwick, “Slavery, Emancipation and Apprenticeship in the Caribbean”

Wednesday, May 15:

8:30am-10:00am—Panel #11: In the Fires of Hope: Federalism and Independence in Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago

Chair: Heather Cateau, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine

Gelien Matthews, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, “Lyrics to Build a Nation: The Independence Calypso Competition of Trinidad and Tobago 1962”

Michael Toussaint, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, “Eric Williams and Trinidad and Tobago in 1962”

Rita Pemberton, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, “A Recurring Decimal: Tobago’s Constitutional Experience”

Ronald Noel, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, “The coming of Blaxploitation Films to Trinidad and Tobago from 1970 to 1975: An Impressionist examination of their Impact on the People and a Call to break their Relative Silence in the Historiography”

Renee A. Nelson, Ph.D. Candidate, University of the West Indies, Mona, “The West Indian Press and the Federal Idea: 1948-1957”

10:00-10:15am Break

10:15-11:45pm—Panel #12: Definitions and Inclusions: The Impact of Twentieth-Century Migration in the Caribbean

Chair: Rosemarjin Hoefte, KITLV

Charles do Rego, National Archaeological Anthropological Memory Management, “Inclusion and Exclusion of the Portuguese Immigrants in 20th-century Curaçao”

Rose Mary Allen, University of the Netherlands, Antilles, “Twentieth Century Migration from the English-speaking Caribbean to Curaçao: Inclusion and Exclusion via Discourse”

Su Girigori, Independent Researcher, “Nefertiti: From Lebanon to the Curaçao in Search of a New Life”

Glenn Chambers, Texas A&M, “Changing Perceptions of Race and Place in a Divided City: The Early Immigration of English-Speaking Hondurans and Belizeans to New Orleans, Louisiana, 1905-1941”

Philip Janzen, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Wisconsin, “Caribbean Colonizers: Assimilation, Black Internationalism, and Diasporic Imagination, 1880-1960”

Carmen Hutchinson Miller, UWI, Cave Hill, “‘No Blacks in the Interior’: Past and Present Racism against Afro-Caribbeans and their Afro-Costa Rican Descendents”

11:45-Noon Break

Noon-1:30am—Panel #13: The Caribbean at Arms

Chair: Christian Cwik, Universität zu Köln

Eric McDonald, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Houston, “Military Men and the Solidification of the Colonial Elite in Seventeenth Century Barbados”

Miriam Martin, Ph.D. Candidate, Vanderbilt University, “‘Midst a Firing of Grape’: The Role of Black Militias in Anglo/Spanish Geopolitics of the 18th-century Atlantic World”

Kamika Murphy, Clark University, “‘A more eligible situation for their business’: Black Loyalists and their transformations in Kingston, 1782-1823”

Carlos Hernandez, Universidad de Puerto Rico, “Adquisición de terrenos y Bases Aéreas en el Caribe durante la Segunda Guerra Mundial”

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 the host city. The LOC has arranged a range of excursions; pre-registration is required. Please see information posted on the ACH website under “Field Trips” for more information.

Thursday, May 16:

9:00-10:30am—Panel #14: Social History of Belize (local panel)

10:30-10:45am Break

10:45-12:15pm—Panel #15: Urban and Landscape Analyses

Chair: Veront Satchell, University of the West Indies, Mona

Zach Carmichael, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Texas, Austin, “The Key to the Indies: Cartagena de Indias as an Atlantic Urban Space in the late Seventeenth Century”

Royline Williams-Fontenelle, Graduate Student, University of Oklahoma, “Beneath the Veil of Slavery: Black Ingenuity, Technological Space and the Antiguan Slave”

Jeanette Corniffe, Ph.D. Candidate, University of the West Indies, Mona, “The Changing Patterns of Large Landholders in Westmoreland, Jamaica, 1784 to 1833”

Oneil Hall, Ph.D. Candidate, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, “The Cayman Islands, A Colony of A Colony; The Imperial Act of 1863”

Reynaldo Ortiz-Minaya, Ph.D. Candidate, Binghamton University, “Unlocking the Spatial Code of Plantation Landscape: From Bohío to Barracon: Material Processes and Social Space in the Built-Environment of Cuban Slavery: 1760-1870”

12:15-1:30pm Lunch

1:30-3:00pm—Panel #16: Nation, Alterity, and Migration in Post-Colonial Societies

Chair: Verena Muth, Society for Continental American and Caribbean Studies, Vienna

Lara Putnam, University of Pittsburgh, “Disappearing in El Dorado? British Caribbean Migrants in Venezuela, 1840s-1940s”

Shakira Crawford, U.S. Naval Academy, “Neither Colombian nor West Indian: The Caribbean Islanders of San Andrés and Providencia”

Elisabeth Cunin, URMIS, Université de Nice Sophia Antipolis, “Administrer les étrangers à la marge de la nation. Migrations de travailleurs afro-béliziens dans le Territoire de Quintana Roo”

Maud Laëthier, Université Paris Diderot, Université d’État d’Haïti, “Migration et expressions d’une appartenance nationale : d’une marginalité à l’autre. L’exemple des Haïtiens de Guyane”

Caree Banton, Ph.D. Candidate, Vanderbilt University, “Migration from Barbados to Liberia: Shifting Frontiers of Freedom, Citizenship and Nationhood in Caribbean Post-Emancipation”

3:00-5:00pm Annual General Meeting

7:00-11:00pm Dinner and Fete

Friday, May 17: Local field trip (more information will be posted on the ACH website as soon as it becomes available).

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2013-14 ACH Executive Committee Nominations and Ballot

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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 serves at least two years, but not more than three consecutive years. The Vice-President serves for two years, and is expected to succeed the out-going President, if he or she has been nominated for a second year. The Secretary-Treasurer is expected to serve for three years, and may be renewed for a second three-year term. 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: Rita Pemberton, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine

Rita Pemberton is a Senior Lecturer in History at the St. Augustine Campus, University of the West Indies. She teaches courses on the history of Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean. Her research centers on the history of health and environment in the Caribbean and the history of Trinidad and Tobago, and she has engaged in collaborative research with scholars from Benín, Brazil, Holland and Spain. She is co-editor with Heather Cateau of *Beyond Tradition: A Re interpretation of the Caribbean Historical Experience* (2006), and has been Vice President of the ACH since 2011.

Vice-President: Jacques Dumont, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane

Jacques Dumont is a Professor at the Université des Antilles et de la Guyane and Deputy Director of the Archéologie Industrielle, Histoire, Patrimoine - Géographie, Développement, Environnement de la Caraïbe (AIHP GEODE) research laboratory, founded in 1988 by scholars interested in studying Caribbean history and biogeography. He teaches cultural history of the body (health, hygiene, and sport), as well as modern Caribbean history, and has published forty articles and book chapters, as well as several books. The latest is: *L'amère patrie, histoire des Antilles françaises au XXe siècle* (2010). He has formerly served on the ACH Executive Committee and chaired the ACH Elsa Goveia Book Prize Committee.

Secretary-Treasurer: Michelle Craig McDonald, Richard Stockton College

Michelle Craig McDonald is Associate Professor of Atlantic History at Richard Stockton College, and is also a member of both the Latin American Caribbean Studies and Africana Studies programs. Her research and publications focus on consumer behavior and trade in the Caribbean and early America, on which topics she has published several articles and book chapters. She has a book in progress on the Caribbean coffee industry and early American commercial development, and edited *Public Drinking in the Early Modern World* (with David Hancock, 2011). She is a Life Member of the ACH and has been Secretary-Treasurer since 2010.

II. MEMBERS (please select no more than 4 of the 5 candidates on the following page)

There are four 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:

Ada Ferrer, New York University (eligible for re-election):

Ada Ferrer is Professor of History and Latin American and Caribbean Studies at New York University, where she directed the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies from 2009-2011. She is the author of *Insurgent Cuba: Race, Nation, and Revolution, 1868-1898*, which was published by UNC Press and the University of the West Indies in 1999, and won the Berkshire Book Prize in 2000; she is also co-author of *El rumor de Haití en Cuba: Raza, temor y rebeldía* (2004), and is currently completing a book on Cuban slave society and the Haitian Revolution under contract with Cambridge University Press. Ferrer is a Life Member of the ACH, and served on the 2009-10 ACH Andrés Ramos Mattei-Neville Hall Article Prize Committee.

Antonio Gaztambide, Universidad de Puerto Rico (first nomination):

Antonio Gaztambide-Géigel held the “Eugenio María de Hostos” Honorary Chair of the University of Puerto Rico (UPR) between 2001 and 2003. He is a Professor of the School of Social Sciences of the UPR at Río Piedras and the Center for Advanced Studies on Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, in San Juan. He has also been a Visiting Professor at the Central University of Venezuela, the University of Havana and the University of Oriente, in Santiago de Cuba. His essays about the Caribbean and its international relations have been published in Colombia, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Spain, Great Britain, Jamaica, Martinique, Mexico, Panamá, Puerto Rico and Venezuela, including two chapters in UNESCO’s *General History of the Caribbean*. He authored *Tan lejos de Dios ... Ensayos sobre las relaciones del Caribe con Estados Unidos*, was the first president of the Puerto Rican Association of Historians, and has also served as Vice President of the ACH.

Melanie Newton, University of Toronto (first nomination):

Melanie Newton is Associate Professor of History and Director of the Caribbean Studies Program at the University of Toronto. She is the author of *The Children of Africa in the Colonies: Free People of Color in Barbados in the Age of Emancipation* (2008); and several journal articles and book chapters. She serves on the editorial board of the *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, and is guest editor of a forthcoming special focus of the journal *Small Axe* on Caribbean historiography. Her current research project is entitled “This Island’s Mine: Indigeneity in the Caribbean Atlantic World.” She chaired the 2012 ACH Ramos-Mattei Article Prize and is serving on the ACH Elsa Goveia Book Prize Committee in 2013.

Jean-Pierre Sainton, Université des Antilles et de la Guyane (eligible for re-election):

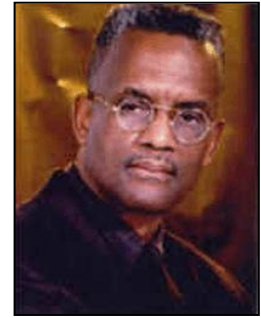
Jean-Pierre Sainton is Maître de Conférences at l’Université des Antilles et de la Guyane, Schoelcher Campus (Martinique) and Camp Jacob Campus (Guadeloupe) where he is also Dean of the Faculty of Humanities. He researches the social, political and cultural history of Guadeloupe and Martinique, and has published *La révolution noire d’octobre 1801-Mai 1802 en Guadeloupe* (1995), *Les Nègres en politique au tournant du siècle en Guadeloupe*, 2 vols (1999), and *La décolonisation improbable : culture politique et conjoncture en Guadeloupe et Martinique (1943-1967)*, and has edited a general account of the history and civilization of the Caribbean, *Les Temps des Geneses: des origines à 1685, vol 1*, (2004), and *Les temps des Matrices: Economie et cadres sociaux du long xviiiie siècle*, vol 2 (2012). He has been an ACH member since 1995, and served as a member of the ACH Elsa Goveia Prize Committee.

Pedro Welch, University of the West Indies, Cave Hill (first nomination):

Pedro L. V. Welch is Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Education, and Professor of Social and Medical History in the Department of History and Philosophy at the UWI (Cave Hill). He has served previously on the Executive Committee of the East Caribbean Conference of Seventh Day Adventists and on the Board of Caribbean Union College (now the University of the Southern Caribbean). He is a Life Member of the Association of Caribbean Historians (ACH) and served for six years, consecutively, as the Secretary-Treasurer of that Association (2004-2010). He also serves on the Executive Committee of the Association of Caribbean Economic Historians (AHEC). He has just been appointed as Chair of the Task Force on Reparations (Barbados), and is the author of several books and articles on various aspects of Caribbean History, including the path-breaking *Slave Society in the City* (2003).

In Memoriam: Tony Martin

Dr. Tony Martin, former Professor Emeritus at Wellesley College, passed away January 17, 2013, in Trinidad & Tobago at West Shore Medical Hospital. Trinidadian-born Dr. Martin also taught at the University of Michigan-Flint, the Cipriani Labour College (Trinidad), and St. Mary's College (Trinidad). He was a visiting professor at the University of Minnesota, Brandeis University, Brown University, and The Colorado College, and spent a year as an honorary research fellow at the University of the West Indies, Trinidad.



Dr. Martin was an active member of the Association of Caribbean Historians for many years, and most recently attended last year's annual meeting in Curaçao. He has written, compiled or edited 14 books including *Caribbean History: From Pre-Colonial Origins to the Present* (2012) published by Pearson Education; *Amy Ashwood Garvey: Pan-Africanist, Feminist and Mrs. Marcus Garvey No. 1, Or, A Tale of Two Amies* (2007), *Literary Garveyism: Garvey, Black Arts and the Harlem Renaissance* (1983), and the classic study of the Garvey Movement, *Race First: The Ideological and Organizational Struggles of Marcus Garvey and the Universal Negro Improvement Association* (1976).

His work on Marcus Garvey was featured in the curricula of numerous Africana studies programmes around the world and he was a well-known lecturer in many countries. We will remember him as an outstanding scholar, colleague, and friend.

In Memoriam: Mary Turner



Dr. Mary Turner, retired Professor of History at Dalhousie University, Canada and Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies in London University's School of Advanced Study, passed away in London on January 22, 2013 after a brief illness. She was a graduate of Manchester University and King's College, London.

Dr. Turner was a Life Member of the Association of Caribbean Historians, and until recently regularly attended the organization's annual meeting. Her involvement in Caribbean history began when she was teaching in Jamaica and contributed to the *Making of the West Indies* (1960), co-authored with Sir Roy Augier, Douglas Hall, and Shirley Gordon. She later went on to publish the seminal work *Slaves and Missionaries: the Disintegration of Jamaican Slave Society, 1788-1834* (1982), *The Baptist War and Abolition* (1982) and *From Chattel to Wage Slaves* (1995), as well as many articles and book chapters, including one on slave religion for the *UNESCO History of the Caribbean*, vol. 3.

Although she did not reside in the Caribbean after the 1950s, Mary retained a close, even proprietary, interest in professional activities inside that part of the region with which she was familiar. This was demonstrated in her service as external examiner to the University of the West Indies and, particularly, in the close friendships that she developed and maintained with some of that region's historians (Roy Augier, Bridget Brereton, Woodville Marshall), who always found her residence, at 44 Thornhill Square, a home away from home. We offer sincere condolences to her many friends in the ACH, the University of the West Indies, the Caribbean, and to her family in London.

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