

Scottish Association for the Study of America Seventeenth Annual Conference

Hosted by the School of Arts and Humanities, University of Stirling

Saturday 5th March 2016



8.30am - 9.15am: Registration (Pathfoot Crush Hall)

9.15am – 10.30am: Panel 1

Panel 1 (Pathfoot Lecture Theatre) *Slavery, Racism, and Segregation in America*

Chair: Shaun Wallace (University of Stirling)

- The Classical Influence on Proslavery Thought in the Antebellum South
 - *Jared Jodoin (University of Edinburgh)*
- “He Did Not Know Why They Called Him Tom”: The African American Fight Against British Racism 1845-1895
 - *Hannah-Rose Murray (University of Nottingham)*
- Vehicles of Race: The Reality of Transport Segregation in Louisiana
 - *C. Hilary McLaughlin-Stonham (University of Ulster)*

10.30am – 10.45am: Tea and Coffee (Pathfoot Crush Hall)

10.45am – 12.00pm: Panels 2 and 3

Panel 2 (Pathfoot D1) *American Literature*

Chair: Professor Stephen Shapiro (University of Warwick)

- *Taipei: Satire of America*
 - *Miles Beard (University of Strathclyde)*
- Racism and American Society: An Infinite Conversation
 - *Mauro Di Lullo (University of Stirling)*
- What isn't Water: David Foster Wallace and the Rhetorical Ethics of Comedy
 - *Paul Abbott (University of Glasgow)*

Panel 3 (Pathfoot D3) ***Cultural Memory and Identity in America***

Chair: Dr. Stuart Salmon (University of Stirling)

- “To Crown a Private Soldier” : The *Confederate Veteran*, Sam Davis, and the Confederate soldier in Civil War memory, 1893-1913
 - *Robin Bates (University of Newcastle)*
- Cognitive Landscapes, Cultural Memory: Localism as Nationalism on the Post-Revolutionary Backcountry
 - *Dr. Blair Smith (University of Dundee)*
- The American Indian Warrior: The History and Critiques of a Transatlantic Icon
 - *Dr. George Toth (University of Stirling)*

12.00pm – 12.45pm: Lunch (Pathfoot Crush Hall)

12.45pm –1.30pm: SASA AGM. Presentation by Adam Matthews Digital followed by a presentation on behalf of the U.S. Consulate (Pathfoot Lecture Theatre)

1.30pm – 2.45pm: Panels 4 and 5

Panel 4 (Pathfoot D1) ***America in the Eighteenth-Century***

Chair: Dr. Blair Smith (University of Dundee)

- A Considerable Expense: Colonial and Metropolitan Responses to Piracy in North America, 1717-1718
 - *David Wilson (University of Strathclyde)*
- John Adams and Friendship in Eighteenth-Century America
 - *Jamie Macpherson (University of Stirling)*
- The (Habsburg) Empire Strikes Back!
 - *Jonathan Singerton (University of Edinburgh)*

Panel 5 (Pathfoot D3) ***Religion and Theology in America***

Chair: Dr. George Toth (University of Stirling)

- Mormons and Time Lords: Redefining God in Religion and Science Fiction
 - *Benjamin Huskinson (Queen’s University Belfast)*
- Los Angeles 1906: The Birth of Pentecostalism and the Search for Racial Equality
 - *Prof. Stephen Shapiro (University of Warwick)*

- Ulster Anti-Slavery and the American Civil War: George Hay Shanks and Pro-Lincoln Irish Presbyterianism
 - *Dr. Daniel Ritchie (University College Dublin)*

2.45pm – 3.00pm: Tea and Coffee (Pathfoot Crush Hall)

3.00pm – 4.15pm: Panel 6

Panel 6 (Pathfoot Lecture Theatre) *America in the Twentieth Century*

Chair: Dr. Mark Ellis (University of Strathclyde)

- Delusions of Grandeur: The Declaration of Independence, Declaration of Arbroath and the power of semantics
 - *Laura Harrison (University of Edinburgh)*
- Rockin' in the Free World: Presidential Campaigns and Popular Music
 - *Fraser McCallum (University of Strathclyde)*
- The Grey Areas of Alliance: America, Britain, Western Europe, and Pakistan's nuclear weapons programme, 1976-78
 - *Dr. Malcolm Craig (University of Edinburgh)*

4.15pm – 5.15pm: Plenary Lecture (Pathfoot Lecture Theatre)

- Elvis' Army: A Military Revolution in 1950s America?
 - *Prof. Brian McAllister Linn (Texas A&M University. Currently visiting Fulbright Distinguished Professor at the University of Birmingham)*