

*Looking Back, Moving Forward: Gender, Class, and Race Across Time*

Purdue History Graduate Student Association 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference

8<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Beering Hall, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

**Schedule**

**8:30 AM**

8:00 a.m. Registration, Coffee, Pastries, and Networking, Beering Hall (BRNG) 2280

Opening Remarks

Keri Blair, HGSA Vice President

**9:00-10:00 AM**

**Panel A: The Global Cold War, BRNG 2291**

Chair: Dr. William Glenn Gray

Will Rater, "Anti-Imperial Solidarity: The Use of Human Rights as a Political Tool," Purdue University.

Vincent Micheli, "Remembering the Guatemalan Civil War," University of Notre Dame.

Alisa Kuzmina, "Cold War Dekabristki: Love, Agency, and Political Power," University of Minnesota.

**Panel B: Class, Diaspora, and Dispossession, BRNG 2290**

Chair: Dr. Tithi Bhattacharya

Simone Cerulli, "Homemaking as a Multilocal Process: Right to Space, Urbanization and Cosmopolitanism in the Bangladeshi Diaspora in Rome," Bicocca University of Milan.

Vipanchika Bhagyanagar, "Disappearing Prisoners: Life and Resistance of 'Ordinary Prisoners' in India'," Purdue University.

Srishti Chatterjee, "Interactive Mapping Technologies: Layering History in the Settler-Colony" Northwestern University.

**Panel C: Agency, Autonomy, and Resistance, BRNG 2275**

Chair: Srishti Chowdhury

Lindsey Willow Smith, "Native Sun Newspaper: Maintenance and Creation of Native American and Global Indigenous Identity in Midcentury Detroit," University of Minnesota.

Johari Tello, "Resistance and Influence: African American and Latino Perspectives on Eugenics in the Mid-20th Century," Purdue University.

**10:10-11:10 AM**

**Panel D: Historical Constructions: Memory, Violence, Narrativization, BRNG 2291**

Chair: Stefano Palermo

Shriya Dasgupta, "We will not Leave Our Forests: Tracing the Colonial Legacy of Adivasi Resistance in India," Purdue University.

Jael Brown, "Global Perception and Interpretation of the 1876-1878 Bulgarian Independence Movement," Purdue University.

Alexis Shoulta, "We Were Always Here: Improving Representation at the Johnson County Museum of History," Indiana University.

**Panel E: Labor and Policy in 20th Century America, BRNG 2275**

Chair: Dr. Kathryn Cramer Brownell

Nahomi Linda Esquivel, "'Green Card Guestworkers: A New Reading of 1960s Immigration and Agricultural History," University of Chicago.

Alicia Venchuk, "The Path to Political Feasibility: The Family and Medical Leave Act, 1984-1993," Purdue University.

Dr. Angela Potter, "Are You My Mother?: Rebuilding Therapeutic Identities in Autism Research and Treatment, Indianapolis, Indiana 1961-1973," Independent Scholar.

**Panel F: Equine Intersections: Race, Gender, and Class in American Horse Culture, BRNG 2290**

Chair: Keri Blair

Professor Tollie Banker, "The Progressive's Horse: Remaking an Animal for the Modern Age," Hillsborough Community College, SouthShore Campus.

Abigail Coomes, "Lost Voices: African American Trainers and Grooms at a Middle Tennessee Arabian Stud," Middle Tennessee State University.

Christian Kruger, "'Uses to Which He May Be Put': Horses, Mules, and Race in Antebellum Kentucky," Marquette University.

**11:20 AM-12:20 PM**

**Panel G: Gender, Ideology, and Political Movements, BRNG 2290**

Chair: Dr. Jennifer Foray

Doris Lanzkron-Tamarazo, "Matrons and Moonshine: Alternate Paths of Empowerment in Prohibition-Era Michigan," Wayne State University.

April Platt, "The Pomp and Protest of Her Proper Place: North Atlantic Women's Activism on the Streets," Kent State University.

Jiahui Chen, "Fascism-sympathizer, Aristocrat, and Female: Lady Mosley and British Females in British Union of Fascists Movement, 1932-1939," Purdue University.

**Panel H: African Americans in the Age of Jim Crow, BRNG 2291**

Chair: Dr. Jonathan Lande

Cameron Antoniotti, "Race, Hate, and Steel: The Rosedale Expulsion and the Myth of Northern Racial Harmony," Slippery Rock University.

Secret Permenter, "Education, Segregation, and the Development of Black Deafness in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries," Purdue University.

Hannah Kornblut, "Testifying Agency: Analyzing Identity and Autonomy in the Memphis Massacre Testimonies," Kent State University.

**12:30-2:20 PM**

Presentation of the R. Douglas Hurt Prize  
Zach Logsdon, HGSA President

**Lunch**

**Keynote Address:** Dr. Leslie J. Reagan, University of Illinois  
Introduction by Caroline Fish, Fulbright Scholar

**2:30-3:30 PM**

**Panel I: Urban Histories of Resistance, BRNG 2291**

Chair: Dr. Christopher Ewing

Nathan Halder, "Graffiti in Berlin: A Transatlantic Journey," Purdue University.

Rowan Wolke, "Rewriting History to Find Justice: Indiana University's Bathroom Sting Operation," Indiana University.

**Panel J: Gender, Identity, and Belief, BRNG 2290**

Chair: Caroline Fish

Anisha Kar, "Between History and Myth: The Role of the Ramayana in Collective Memory" Purdue University.

Hannah Stevenson, "'Meiner lieben Freundin in Christo': Class and Gender in Martin Luther's Correspondence," University of Notre Dame.

Allyson Dinwidde, "Sicilian Identity Seen through Greek Voices" Purdue University.

**3:30**

Closing Remarks  
Srishti Chowdhury, HGSA Representative

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