Intercultural Origins of St. Louis and the Trans-Mississippi West, 1800--1840

Center for Intercultural Studies Conference Saint Louis University

Thursday, March 22, 2018

** Sessions meet in Pere Marquette Gallery, DuBourg Hall, Second Floor **

12:00 p.m. Registration, Pere Marquette Gallery

1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. SESSION I. Ethnic Borderlands

1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Opening remarks: Dr. Ellen Harshman, J.D., Dean Emerita of the John Cook School of Business, Director of Bicentennial Planning, Saint Louis University

Chair: Dr. George Ndege, Associate Professor of History, Saint Louis University

1. Dr. Robert J. Moore, Jr., Historian for the National Park Service at Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in St. Louis, Missouri.

"William Clark's Indian Council Chamber and Museum: Command Center of a Changing West"

2. Christy Finsel (Enrolled tribal member of the Osage Nation), Ph.D. Candidate, The Catholic University of America

"Osage and Jesuits: Continuity of a Relationship from the 1600s to Present"

3. Emily Troxell Jaycox, Librarian, Missouri History Museum and Research Center, St. Louis. Missouri

"They Had Become Familiar: Métis Families and Parish Choices Near St. Louis"

3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. Coffee Break

3:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. SESSION II. Diversity at Early Saint Louis University

Chair: Dr. Daniel Schlafly, Professor of History, Saint Louis University

1. John Waide, Archivist Emeritus, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri

"From the Beginning: Inter-Cultural Aspects of the Early History of Saint Louis University, 1818-1865"

2. Emory C. Webre, Independent Scholar, St. Louis, Missouri

"French Speaking Louisiana Students at St. Louis University and Other Jesuit Schools in the South prior to 1862"

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. KEYNOTE ADDRESS. Pere Marquette Gallery, DuBourg Hall, Second Floor

Dr. Peter J. Kastor, Professor and Chair, Department of History, Washington University in St. Louis

"DuBourg and Charbonneau: One Founder, One Student, and the Many Nations of Early St. Louis"

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8:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. SESSION III. Engines of Expansion

Chair: Dr. Charles Parker, Professor of History, Saint Louis University

1. Dr. F. Terry Norris, District Archaeologist (Retired), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis

"The Highway of Empires: The Mississippi River as a Corridor of Trade"

2. Dr. Mark M. Chambers, Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Africana Studies, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York

"Penning Narratives and Sketching Illustrations: Drawing Hybridity Inside and Outside the Trans-Mississippi West Lead Mining Region"

3. Dr. Randy R. McGuire, Lutheran Pastor and Adjunct Instructor in History at Oak Hills Christian College, Bemidji, Minnesota.

"The St. Louis Arsenal: Armory of the West"

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. SESSION IV. Cultural Encounters

Chair: Dr. Pauline C. Lee, Associate Professor of Chinese Religions and Culture, Saint Louis University

1. Dr. Rebekah M.K. Mergenthal, Associate Professor of History, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington

"Still Lurking about Town": Runaway Slaves to St. Louis and Beyond in the Early Nineteenth Century"

2. Dennis Moebus, Doctoral Student of History, University of Wuppertal, Germany

"Experiences of Migration and Narratives of Freedom. German Immigrants in and around St. Louis, 1830–1890"

3. Fr. John Padberg S.J., former Director of the Institute of Jesuit Sources in St. Louis, former Professor of History and Academic Vice-President of Saint Louis University.

"St. Louis: A Mosaic of Identity"

1:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. SESSION V. **Picturing the West**

Chair: James F. Scott, Professor Emeritus of English, Saint Louis University

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"Seeing the West: Karl Bodmer, George Catlin, and Caleb Bingham As Mythographers of the American Frontier"

2. Dr. Vincent Casaregola, Professor of English, Director of Film Studies Program, Saint Louis University

"A Western Pilgrim's Progress: Jeremiah Johnson as Journey of Self-Discovery"

3. Dr. Jan McIntire-Strasburg, Associate Professor of English, Saint Louis University

"Little Big Man: The Shift in Representation of Native People on Film at Mid-20th Century"