Thirty-Six Annual Conference of the Western Association of Women Historians

May 21-23, 2004

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Conference Schedule Summary

Registration:
Lobby of Corwin Pavilion
UCSB University Center

Registration Tables will be open
Friday 5:00 pm-7:15 pm
Saturday 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am-9:30 am

Friday, May 21

3:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting
UCSB University Center

6:00-7:00 pm Opening Reception
UCSB University Center

Buffet Supper
Food, drinks, and stimulating conversation!

7:15 pm-8:15 pm Opening Program
UCSB University Center

Rebecca Conard
“Public History: Postcards from the Professional Borderlands”

Rebecca Conrad is the recent past president of the National Council on Public History, professor of history and co-director of public history at Middle Tennessee State University, and co-founder of and partner in two private historical research firms.
Conference Schedule Summary

All sessions will be held at the UCSB University Center
Directions on page 19 (from US 101) and page 21 (from hotels)

Saturday, May 22

9:00 am-10:30 am Section I
10:45 am-12:15 pm Section II
   Keynote Address
12:30 pm-1:45 pm Lunch
2:00 pm-3:30 pm Section III
3:45 pm-5:00 pm Section IV
5:15 pm-6:30 pm Business Meeting
5:30 pm-7:00 pm Graduate Student Reception
   and Fund Raiser (All are welcome)
7:00 pm-9:00 pm Awards Banquet

Sunday, May 23

9:00 am-10:30 am Section V
10:45 am-12:15 pm Section VI
Saturday, May 22 - Section I: 9:00 am-10:30 am

1. Women, Children and the Holocaust
   Chair: Lisa Cody, Claremont McKenna College

   Laurie Whitcomb-Norden, Washington State University
   Hadassah Rosensaft: Matriarch of the Belsen Survivors:
   Jewish Women’s Leadership and Changing Gender
   Identities in Displaced Person Camps

   Beth Lilach, Florida Atlantic University
   ‘Idiots, Imbeciles, and the Loathsome Diseased’: The Hidden
   History of ‘Hard Core Cases’ Displaced Persons

   Mary Fraser Wunnenberg, University of Wisconsin, Madison
   I Shall be Forever Left to Wander; Questions of Religious
   Identity Concerning Jewish Children Hidden
   in France During the Holocaust

   Jaye Houston, Claremont Graduate University
   Women’s Experiences, The Holocaust, and Legacy
   Comment: The Audience

2. The Body Politic: Political Imagery and the
   Political Family in Early Modern Europe
   Chair: Hilary Bernstein, University of California, Santa Barbara

   Trytje Helfferich, University of California, Santa Barbara
   ‘This is Where All Her Cares and Worries Go’: Early Modern
   Noble Motherhood as Seen Through the Letters
   of Amelia Elizabeth of Hesse-Cassel

   Janet M. McFall, University of California, Santa Barbara
   Parliament, the Body Represented

   Amy R. Caldwell, California State University, Channel Islands
   Jacob and Conrad Grebel: The Political Family, Family Politics
   and Religious Reform in Zurich, 1512-1526

   Comment: Elizabeth Marvick, Independent Scholar
Saturday, May 22 - Section I: 9:00 am-10:30 am
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3. Tropics of History: Genealogical Forces and Fictions in East Asia
   Chair: Sabine Frühstück, University of California, Santa Barbara
   Elise M. Edwards, Stanford University
   Claiming the Game: The ‘Ancient’ Game of *kemari* and Japanese Claims to Modern Soccer
   Charlene Makley, Reed College
   ‘Speaking Bitterness’: Autobiography as Alternative History in Tibet
   Tomomi Yamaguchi, University of Michigan
   Feminism as Chronology: The Place of Timeliness (nenpyô) in Women’s History
   Sabine Frühstück
   Men, Doves and Cherry Blossoms: Fabricating Memories in Japanese On-Base Museums

Comment: Audience

4. Crossing Borders: New Directions in International Women’s History
   Chair: Lisa G. Materson, University of California, Davis
   Alexandra Epstein, University of California, Irvine
   California Female Internationalists, Pacific Relations, and Asian Exclusion Between the Wars
   Elizabeth Stordeur Pryor, University of California, Santa Barbara
   ‘Truly This is Patriotic:’ African American Women Travelers Explore American Identity in Turn of the Century Europe
   Oksana Kis, Institute of Ethnology, National Academy of Science of the Ukraine and Rutgers University
   20th Century Ukraine in Women’s History: First Outcomes of the First Stage of the First Ukrainian Women’s Oral History Project

Comment: Lisa G. Materson
Saturday, May 22 - Section I: 9:00 am-10:30 am
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5. Murder Most Foul
Chair: Patricia Cline Cohen, University of California, Santa Barbara
Paula K. Hinton, Tennessee Technological University
The Port of Missing Men: The Impact of Murder on an American Town
Kathy S. Mason, University of Findlay
Mystery at Sand Point Lighthouse: The Career and Death of Mary Terry
Commentator: Patricia Cline Cohen

Saturday, May 22 - Section II: 10:45 am-12:15 pm
Welcome: Patricia Cline Cohen, President, Western Association of Women Historians
Introduction: Shirley Yee, Chair, 2004 WAWH Program Committee

Keynote Address:

Leila J. Rupp
University of California, Santa Barbara
“From ‘Lesbian Existence’ to Drag Queens: Rethinking Sexual Identity Categories”

12:30 pm-1:45 pm Lunch
Saturday, May 22 - Section III: 2:00 pm-3:30 pm

6. Film: “Standing on My Sister’s Shoulder”
   Presented by Women Make Movies
   Documentary about women’s activism during the U.S. Civil Rights movement

7. Educational Lessons: Learning from the Past
   Chair: Lyn Reese, Institute for Historical Study, San Francisco
   Frances Richardson Keller, San Francisco State University
   Fiction and Lies in American Education
   Judith Strong Albert, Independent Scholar
   American Dilemma: Teaching the 19th C. Transcendentalists
   Comment: Lyn Reese
   The Place for Fictions in History Today

8. Coalition for Western Women’s History: The Politics of Food
   Chair: Catherine Corder, Claremont Graduate University
   Mary Ann Irwin, Independent Scholar
   ‘Pea Souffle With Carrot Sauce:’
   The Emanu-El Sisterhood
   ‘Model Housekeeping Flat,’1916-1918
   Linda Mollno, Claremont Graduate University
   Southern California Wine Industry: A Woman’s World?
   Diane M.T. North, Univ. of Maryland
   The Politics of Food Conservation
   Comment: Catherine Corder
Saturday, May 22 - Section IV: 3:45 pm-5:00 pm

9. Fashioning Gender, Gendering Fashion
   Chair: Jill Fields, California State University, Fresno
   Karin Huebner, University of Southern California
   Fashioning the Masculine Other: Students’ Reconstruction of Gender at Smith College, 1890 to 1910
   Rachel Standish, Foothill College
   The Orgy of Undressing: A Brief Interlude in Fashion History
   Kendra Van Cleave, San Francisco State University
   ‘A Style All Her Own’: Fashion and Gender at Smith College, 1920-29
   Comment: Jill Fields

10. Enterprising Women on the Monterey Bay
    Chair: Carol McKibben, Independent Scholar
    Susan Shillinglaw, San Jose State University
    Women at Ed Ricketts’ Cannery Row Laboratory: Conversation, Conviviality, Context
    Kate Davis, San Jose State University
    ‘Up to our knees in water, and our elbows in blood’: Women’s Work in Fish Processing
    Carol McKibben, Independent Scholar
    Sicilian Women and the Sardines: Immigration and the Creation of Community in Monterey, California, 1915-1999
    Comment: Sarah Stage, Arizona State University
Saturday, May 22 - Section IV: 3:45 pm-5:00 pm
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11. Women in Popular Culture
Chair: Nancy Page Fernandez, California State Polytechnic University
Sandra Dawson, University of California, Santa Barbara
Fairgrounds and Fantasies: Bumper Cars, Gender, and the British Popular Imagination”
Karen S. Langlois, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
Story, Stage and Silent Screen: Ethel Barrymore and the Feminist Movement, 1911-18
Francinne Valcourt, Arizona State University
Defining the 1960s Superheroine in Wonder Woman: Fandom Makes the Front Page”
Comment: Nancy Page Fernandez

12. Film: “Thunder in Guyana”
Presented by Women Make Movies
Susan Wasserman’s debut film about her cousin, Janet Rosenberg Jagan, Guyana’s first woman president

Saturday, May 22 - Evening Activities

5:15 pm-6:30 pm
Business Meeting
(Open to all WAWH Members)

5:30 pm-7:00 pm
Graduate Student Reception and Fund Raiser

7:00 pm-9:00 pm
Awards Banquet
Sunday, May 24 - Section V: 9:00 am-10:30 am

13. Women’s Education and Conceptions of Citizenship
Chair: Ann Plane, University of California, Santa Barbara
Amy Patterson, University of California, Davis
A Prescription for the Civilized Woman: Medicine, Republicanism, and Women’s Bodies, 1789-1830
Bart Wisialowski, University of California, Irvine
Articulations of Gender and Class in Benjamin Rush’s ‘American Revolution’
Comment: Ann Plane

14. Defying Categorization: Religion in America at Mid-Century
Chair: Autumn Jacobson, University of California, Santa Barbara
Sarah W. Whedon, University of California, Santa Barbara
A Widespread Confusion of Science, Faith, and Fiction: Public Rhetoric Around the Publication of Dianetics
Stephanie J. Stillman, University of California, Santa Barbara
Hard Habit to Break: Mapping Postconciliar Catholicism on Nuns’ Bodies
Christina B. Cabeen, University of California, Santa Barbara
Pleasure Temples, Pagan Dice, and Gambling Nuns: the ‘50s and ‘60s Rhetoric of Las Vegas Religiosity
Comment: Marie Pagliarini, University of California, Santa Barbara
Sunday, May 23 - Section V: 9:00 am-10:30 am
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15. Love, Power, and Marriage
Chair: Kathleen Sheldon, University of California, Los Angeles
Elena Shulman, University of California, Los Angeles
Female Morale and Communist Morality in the Soviet Far East, 1937-1939
Cynthia D. Culver, University of California, Los Angeles
‘Why She Didn’t Marry Him’: Love, Power and Marital Choice in Nineteenth Century Oregon
Catherine O. Badura, Valdosta State University
The Politics of Widowhood in the Fiction of Georgia Novelist Corra White Harris (1869-1935)
Comment: Kathleen Sheldon

16. Women’s Leadership and Activism
Chair: Lindsay Wilson, Northern Arizona University
Margaret McManus, American Baptist Seminary of the West/Graduate Theological Union
Radicalism’s Many Faces: Social Activism and Religious Commitment in the Life of Vida Dutton Scudder, 1887-1912
Kimberly Jensen, Western Oregon University
Esther Pohl Lovejoy, 1870-1967: Activist and Advocate for Women in Medicine
Patricia Harms, Arizona State University
Imagining a Place for Themselves: The 1947 Primer Congreso Interamericano de Mujeres
Comment: Lois Helmbold, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Sunday, May 23 - Section VI: 10:45 am-12:15 pm

17. Politics of Reproduction
Chair: Marilyn Boxer, San Francisco State University
Carolyn Herbst Lewis, University of California, Santa Barbara
Manly Men and Doting Dads: Artificial Insemination & the Masculine Ideal
Lyn Delmastro, University of California, Santa Barbara
This Childbirth Belongs to Us Women: Natural Childbirth in France, 1920-1960
Jadwiga E. Pieper, Pennsylvania State University
Litigation, Legal Structures, and Human Rights in the Americas: (Eugenical) Sterilization Re-Visited
Comment: Marilyn Boxer

18. Shaking Up the West
Chair: Joanne Goodwin, University of Nevada, Las Vegas
JoAnn Levy, Independent Scholar
Unsettling the West: Eliza Farnham and Georgiana Kirby in Frontier California
Andrea Davies Henderson, Stanford University
Rebuilding Home: San Francisco’s 1906 Earthquake and Fire Relief Camps
Comment: Nancy Taniguchi, California State University, Stanislaus
19. Politics of Wage Labor
Chair: Eileen Boris, University of California, Santa Barbara
Cynthia Leigh, University of California, Riverside
These Indians Will Not Undertake To Work on that Basis: Wage Labor and the White Mountain Apaches, 1900-1929
Lisa Cody, Claremont McKenna College
The Invisible Handmaiden of 18th century Political Economy: Images of Women’s Economic Function in Britain and Northern Europe, 1660-1776
April de Stefano, Rutgers University
The Politics of Wage Work for Single Women in Los Angeles, 1900-1929
Comment: Eileen Boris

20. Structuring Femininity and Masculinity
Chair: Diana Selig, Claremont McKenna College
Galadriel Mehera Gerardo, University of California, Los Angeles
Masculinity and Citizenship in WWII Los Angeles
Julie Cohen, University of California, Irvine
The Little Red School House: Gender and the Campaign Against Disloyalty in the Post-War Los Angeles City Schools
Samantha Barbas, Chapman University
Comment: Diana Selig
If you have any questions, please see the registration table
In the lobby of Corwin Pavilion
UCSB University Center

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Saturday 8:00 am-5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am-9:30 am

If you are not a member and would like to become one, membership forms are available at the registration desk, or you may visit www.wawh.org.

Enjoy the conference.
What is the WAWH?

The Western Association of Women Historians was founded in 1969 to promote the interests of women historians both in academic settings and in the field of history generally. Drawing scholars from the Western states and now serving 500 members, the WAWH is the largest of the regional women’s historical associations in the United States.

The WAWH holds an annual spring conference for the presentation of scholarly work, new research, and the discussion of teaching methods, writing, and other issues of importance to women scholars. Sessions devoted to the work and interests of graduate students are encouraged. Four prizes are presented annually at the Awards Banquet. Recent conferences have been held at the Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove (May 1999), The Huntington Library (June 2000, April 2002), Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon (May 2001), and University of California, Berkeley (June 2003).

The WAWH encourages the participation of independent scholars who consistently play an integral role in the organization. In addition to academic historians, WAWH also welcomes literary scholars, art, theater, and film specialists. A directory of all current members, with addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and research interests, is printed each year.

The organization’s web site is: www.wawh.org
**WAWH Awards and Prizes**

**Founders Dissertation Fellowship**

Applicants must be members of the WAWH, advanced to candidacy, writing the dissertation at the time of the application, and expecting to receive the degree no earlier than December of the award year. The $1000 may be used for expenses related to the dissertation.

**Barbara Penny Kanner Prize**

The Western Association of Women Historians will award $500 to the best scholarly bibliographical and historical guide to research focused on women or gender history. The Kanner Award is intended to promote the practice of bibliomethodology or autobiography in historical context. The bibliomethodology award should reflect the critical tools of the historian’s craft as they have been developed to provide research guides rather than library catalogues. The autobiography in historical context award should reflect the craft of history as developed and interpreted in individual lives. Book-length submissions are preferred but substantial guides in other forms (articles or book chapters) may also be considered. The bibliographical and the autobiography awards will be given in alternate years, with submissions for each award considered for two-year intervals from the date of publication.
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**Judith Lee Ridge Prize**

The WAWH will award $100 for the best article in the field of history published by a WAWH member. All recipients shall be members of the WAWH for at least one year prior to submission. Eligibility is limited to two groups: those residing in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming or the Western Canadian Provinces; and WAWH members residing in other states who have paid membership for three years (not necessarily consecutive years). The article must have been published in one of the two years proceeding the award year. All fields of history will be considered, and articles must be submitted with full scholarly apparatus.

**Sierra Book Prize**

The WAWH will award the Sierra Book Prize ($250) for the best monograph in the field of history published by a WAWH member. Eligibility is limited to two groups: those residing in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming or the Western Canadian Provinces; and WAWH members residing in other states who have paid membership for three years (not necessarily consecutive years). The book must be a monograph based on original research (not an anthology or edited work). It must be published in the year prior to the award. No book can be submitted more than once. This includes books previously issued as hardback and reissued as paper. The Prize is open to all fields of history.
General Conference Information

Registration

Please return the enclosed registration form and payment to:
2004 WAWH Conference Registration
Amy Essington
7043 E. Hanbury Street
Long Beach, CA 90808-2321

Email aessington@aol.com if you have any questions.

A printable registration form is also available online at www.wawh.org.


A late fee of $25 will be required for registration postmarked between April 26 and May 5, 2004. After May 5, registration will be available on site.

Cancellation Policy

Full refunds will be issued for cancellations received by 5 pm, May 7, 2004. No refunds will be issued thereafter.

Membership Renewal Rates 2004-2005

Membership runs conference to conference.

- Full time $20
- Part time $15
- Retired $15
- Independent Scholars $8
- Graduate Students $8
- Lifetime $400

All conference and membership information can be found online at www.wawh.org.
General Conference Information

2004 Conference Airline
United Airlines is the official airline for the 2004 conference. To receive a 5-10% discount on your airfare to Santa Barbara, Burbank or Los Angeles airports please call United Airlines at 800-521-4041 (a special line for meetings and not the regular reservation line) and mention code #522AD, Monday through Sunday, 7:00 am to 12:00 midnight (ET). Discounts apply to travel between May 18 and May 26, 2004. Mileage Plus members will receive full credit for all miles flown. For every 40 people that make reservations through the meeting line, WAWH will receive a free round-trip ticket.

Driving Directions to the UCSB Campus

Coming from the south on Highway 101
Travel through the city of Santa Barbara and continue northbound. Take UCSB exit (aka Ward Memorial Drive). Proceed about two miles on Ward, an expressway, to campus entrance, called Eastgate. Past the kiosk, turn right onto Lagoon Rd. at the light. Then take first right onto UCEN Road. Drive straight to its end and see Parking Lot 3 on the right. UCEN Road heads straight into the University Center.

Coming from the north on Highway 101
Take the Las Carneros exit as you come into town. Turn right on Las Carneros, proceed about a mile, crossing Hollister Ave. with a light. Go left on Mesa Road (the next traffic light). Proceed on Mesa Road (a bit winding) past one stop sign and two traffic lights. At the third traffic light you will be at the ocean; continue straight, now called Lagoon Road. Then take first right onto UCEN Road. Drive straight to its end and see Parking Lot 3 on the right. UCEN Road heads straight into the University Center.

Parking
Park your car in Parking Lot 3 and go to the lobby of Corwin Pavilion in the University Center to obtain registration materials and your pre-ordered parking pass for the conference. If you do not pre-order a pass, you can park in numbered stalls in parking lot 3 for $2 (each day) by purchasing tickets at ticket machines.
Conference Hotels

Conference participants will be responsible for arranging their own accommodations.

**Best Western South Coast Inn**
5620 Calle Real
Santa Barbara CA 93117
805-967-3200
Fax 805-683-4466
www.bwsci.com

- 30 double rooms
- $108 per night, 10% tax.
Make reservations by Friday, April 9, 2004.
To secure conference rate, identify yourself as part of the WAWH.

**Holiday Inn of Santa Barbara/Goleta**
5650 Calle Real
Goleta CA 93117
805-964-6241
Fax 805-964-8467

- 20 double rooms
- $114 a night, 10% tax.
Make reservations by 5:00 pm April 21, 2004.
To secure conference rate, identify yourself as part of the WAWH.

The Holiday Inn has complimentary shuttle transportation to and from the airport, which is about 6 minutes away.

A UCSB campus van service will be available to transport people from the hotel to the on-campus conference site on Saturday and Sunday.
Directions and Parking

Driving Directions to the Hotels
The hotels are on Calle Real about five minutes from UCSB.

Coming from the south on Highway 101
Take the Patterson exit. Turn right on Patterson and get in the left turn lane immediately; turn left on Calle Real. Proceed about a half mile; hotels are on the right.

Coming from the north on Highway 101
Take the Fairview exit. Turn left on Fairview and swoop down off the overpass, going left at the first light onto Fairview and then right at the second light onto Calle Real. Hotels will be on the left, about a half mile near the end of the shopping area.

Driving Directions from the Hotel to the UCSB Campus
Go left on Calle Real for about a mile to its end at Patterson; stay in right lane. Go right on Patterson and take an immediate next right onto the approach for Ward Drive. As you turn, stay to the left to campus (the right lane takes you onto 101 North). Two miles of Ward Drive deposits you at the campus entrance (Eastgate). Just past the kiosk, turn left onto Lagoon Road. Take the first right onto UCEN Road. Go straight ahead to where the road ends; parking lot 3 will be on your right.

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Link to UCSB and Goleta area maps:
http://www.tps.ucsb.edu/campusmaps.html