

**Conference Schedule: March 31 - April 1, 2017**  
**All presentations in Boston University's Photonics Center,**  
**8 St. Mary's St. 9<sup>th</sup> floor, Rm. 901, Boston MA, 02215.**

**About the Keynote Speaker and Faculty Commentators**

**Kimberly Phillips-Fein** is Associate Professor of 20<sup>th</sup> century American politics at New York University, with teaching and research interests in the history of economic thought and American economic and political history. Her first book, *Invisible Hands: The Making of the Conservative Movement from the New Deal to Reagan*, revealed how a group of American businessmen resisted New Deal economics and politics. She is working on a second book, *Fear City: New York's Fiscal Crisis and the Rise of Austerity Politics*, a history of New York City in the 1970s.

**Bruce Schulman** is the William E. Huntington Professor of History at Boston University. He is currently working on a volume for the Oxford History of the United States from 1896-1929.

**Michael Holm** is a Lecturer of Social Sciences at Boston University. His latest book is *Marshall Plan: A New Deal for Europe*, and his research interests include U.S. foreign policy, 20<sup>th</sup> century political history, diplomatic history, and immigration history.

**Chris Capozzola** is Associate Professor of History at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is working on his second book, *Brothers of the Pacific*, a transnational history of American soldiers in the Philippines and Filipino soldiers in the U.S. in the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

**Charlotte Carrington-Farmer** is Assistant Professor of History at Roger Williams University, where she specializes in early American history. She is working on a book based on her dissertation, "Dissent and Identity in Seventeenth-Century New England."



**The Public-Private Divide in  
U.S. History**

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Keynote Speaker

**Conference organizers:** David Shorten, Cari Babitzke, Daniel DeFraia, Dalia Haitayan, Matthew Lavalley, Sean Case.

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 31**

**10:15 Coffee and Welcome**

**10:30-11:45 SESSION I**

*Domesticating Public Virtue*

Chelsea Ball, University of Oklahoma  
"From Red Dirt to Red State: Oklahoma and the  
Equal Rights Amendment, 1972-1982"

Oscar Winberg, Åbo Akademi University  
"The Public and Private Battles over All in the  
Family: Television Entertainment, Politics, and  
Grassroots Activism in the 1970s"

Comment: Bruce Schulman, Boston University

Chair: Daniel DeFraia

**12:00-1:00 Lunch**

**1-2:45 SESSION II**

*How the World Made America*

Ben Kochan, Boston University  
"A Question of Trade-Offs: New England and  
the Fishery Conservation and Management Act  
of 1976."

Mary Vidaver, Yale University  
"Truth to Power or Accommodation? Reinhold  
Niebuhr and the Hungarian Revolution of 1956"

Aimee Loiselle, University of Connecticut  
"Sovereignty, Citizenship, and Labor: Puerto  
Rican Needleworkers and a Deep History of  
Neoliberalism"

Comment: Michael Holm, Boston University

Chair: Sean Case

**2:45-3:00 Coffee Break**

**3:00-4:45 SESSION III**

*Privatizing the Public*

Max Matherne, University of Tennessee  
"Mr. Jackson Goes to Washington: Privatizing  
Public Virtue in Jacksonian Politics"

Jacob Anbinder, Harvard University  
"Too Busy to Hate? Hartsfield Airport, Delta  
Air Lines, and the Making of Modern Atlanta"

Shawn Driscoll, Worcester State  
"From Private to Public—The Nixon  
Presidential Library and Museum in Debate and  
Transition"

Comment: Kim Phillips-Fein, New York University

Chair: Matthew Lavalley

**4:45-5:00 Coffee Break**

**5:00-6:00 Keynote**

**6:00 RECEPTION at 226 Bay State Road, Room 504**

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017**

**9:00 Coffee and Welcome**

**9:15-11:00 SESSION IV**

*Exporting American Expertise*

Thomas Jamison, Harvard University  
"Almost an Empire: Anglo-U.S. Plantation  
Building Across the Sulu Sea, 1899-1913"

Swati Srivastava, Northwestern University  
"Sovereignty Under Contract: Public Private  
Authority Negotiations in American Security  
Contracting (Iraq 2007)"

Ben Zdencanovic, Yale University  
"Contesting the 'Technician's Dream': The  
Social Security Administration, the American  
Medical Association, and the Battle Over Social  
Policy in the US Occupation of Japan, 1945 –  
1952"

Comment: Chris Capozzola, Massachusetts Institute of  
Technology

Chair: Andrew Bell

**11:00-11:15 Snack Break**

**11:15-1:00 SESSION V**

*Propriety, Reputation and the Public in Colonial and  
Revolutionary America*

Hayley Margules, Boston College  
"Gender, Class, and the Social Order in the  
Salem Witch Trials"

Mariah Gruner, Boston University,  
"Hannah Storer, Her Sampler: Representative  
Femininity, Mobile Selfhood, and the Logic of  
Emulation in Colonial Schoolgirl Samplers"

Mike Pospihil, University of Delaware  
"Privatization of the Iroquois Commons:  
Constituting the Public in Revolutionary New  
York"

Comment: Charlotte Carrington-Farmer, Roger Williams  
University

Chair: Cari Babitzke

**1:30: Concluding Lunch and Awarding of Prize**