

### About the Keynote Speaker and Faculty Commentators

**Andrew Preston** is Reader in American History, Clare College, University of Cambridge. He is the author of two books: *The War Council: McGeorge Bundy, the NSC, and Vietnam* (2006) and *Sword of the Spirit, Shield of Faith: Religion in American War and Diplomacy* (2012). He is also the co-editor of *The Historical Journal* and has co-edited several books about the history U.S. foreign relations, politics, and religion.

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**Christopher H. Evans** is Professor of History of Christianity at the Boston University School of Theology. He is the author and co-editor of several books, most recently *Liberalism without Illusions: Renewing an American Christian Tradition* (Baylor University Press, 2010) and *Histories of American Christianity: An Introduction* (Baylor University Press, 2010).

**Michael Holm** is a Lecturer in the History Department at Boston University, where he received his Ph.D. in 2013. He is currently working on the book adaptation of his dissertation, *America in the World: Ideology and U.S. Foreign Policy, 1944-1950*.

**William Leeman**, who received his Ph.D. in History from Boston University in 2006, is Assistant Professor of History and American Studies at Salve Regina University. His first book was *The Long Road to Annapolis: The Founding of the Naval Academy and the Emerging American Republic* (University of North Carolina Press, 2010). His current book project examines the evolution of the president's commander-in-chief powers from the United States' founding through the Civil War.

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**Andrew Preston**  
Keynote Speaker

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## Conference Schedule

All presentations will take place in the Kenmore Room, Boston University  
School of Management, 9<sup>th</sup> floor, One Silber Way, Boston, MA

### Friday, March 20

**12:00 p.m.** Registration and lunch.

**12:45 p.m. –** **PANEL 1: MILITARY ORIGINS OF AMERICAN IDENTITY**

**2:15 p.m.** **Commentator:** Christopher Capozzola (M.I.T.)

Amy Noel Ellison (Boston University):

*The Battle of Quebec and the American War for  
Independence, 1775-1776*

Masako Hattori (Columbia University):

*Mobilizing American Youth at the Dawn of Total War: The  
Selective Training and Service Act of 1940*

Niki Lefebvre (Boston University):

*From Paris to the “Merchant’s Ideal Duty”: John Wanamaker  
and American Department Stores During the First World War*

Panel chair:

**2:15 p.m. –** **PANEL 2: CULTURE WARRIORS AND CRUSADERS: WAR’S LEGACY IN  
3:45 p.m.** **20TH-CENTURY RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS**

**Commentator:** Christopher Evans (BU School of Theology)

Pete Cajka (Boston College):

*The Age of Conscience: Liberal Christianity and the Rise of  
Conscientious Objection in America, 1967-1991*

Chris Staysniak (Boston College):

*“The task ahead...is indeed tremendous”: 1940s and 1950s  
Youth Volunteerism*

Will Riddington (Cambridge University):

*“The Slide to Auschwitz”: The Anti-Abortion Movement  
Remembers the Holocaust*

Panel chair:

**3:45 p.m.** **Break.** Coffee and snacks.

**4:00 p.m.** **KEYNOTE SPEECH:** ANDREW PRESTON (CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY)

### Saturday, March 21

**9:30 a.m.** **Welcome.** Coffee and breakfast will be provided.

**10:00 a.m. –** **PANEL 3: CONTACT AND CONFLICT: SOLDIERS, CIVILIANS, AND  
11:30 a.m.** **DIPLOMATS IN WORLD WAR II**

**Commentator:** Michael Holm (Boston University)  
Pedro Cameselle (Fordham University):

*“The Closest Kind of Friendly Relationship”: Continental  
Defense, Newspapers, and U.S.-Uruguay Relations, 1938-  
1942*

Aaron Hiltner (Boston University):

*Liberty Ports: Sex, Crime, and Policing in World War II  
America*

Anna Anderson (University of Houston):

*“On Account of Race and Religion: African American and  
Jewish American Prisoners of War in World War II Europe”*

Panel chair:

**11:30 a.m.** **Lunch.**

**12:00 p.m. –** **PANEL 4: RACE, CLASS, AND ETHNICITY THROUGH THE PRISM OF  
2:00 p.m.** **WAR**

**Commentator:** William Leeman (Salve Regina University)  
Tommy Jamison (Harvard University):

*The American Officer Corps in Revolution: Gentility and War  
in the Portraits of Charles Willson Peale*

Duncan Moench (University of Texas at Austin):

*The Word War I Anti-German Hysteria: An Anglo War for  
Cultural Control*

Zach Fredman (Boston University):

*GIs and Chinese Women: The 1945 Jeep Girl Crisis*

Hettie Williams (Drew University):

*Of Pathologies and Loyalties: The Idea of Race and the Prison  
Industrial Complex in a Cold War Context, 1947-1994*

Panel chair: