



WORLD HISTORY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

20 February 2018

Early Conference Registration

Early registration for the 2018 WHA conference in Milwaukee ends on 1 March 2018. This opportunity allows early registrants a significantly larger discount than in recent years. Refer to the WHA Web site and register from [the Milwaukee conference page](#).

Conference Scholarships

Several funding sources are available to support teachers and scholars attending the 2018 WHA conference in Milwaukee. The WHA World Scholar Travel Fund provides funding for scholars based outside North America to present their work at the conference, and the William H. McNeill Teacher Scholarship provides funding for K-12 and community college teachers to attend. In addition, a number of conference fee waivers are available to students in financial need. The deadline to apply for scholarships and waivers for the 2018 conference is Thursday, 15 March 2018. See the [conference scholarships page](#) on the WHA Web site for more information.

Milwaukee 2018 Tours & Events

For the 27th Annual WHA Conference in Milwaukee, we are thrilled to announce a variety of tours and events unique to this city on Lake Michigan. Through the generosity of faculty and facilities in Milwaukee, many of these tours can be enjoyed at a discounted admission fee. All of the tours are limited capacity due to space constraints; please register soon to reserve your space.



On the opening day of the conference—Thursday, 21 June—there are four options available. Two of these tours, one at 11:00 a.m. and another longer one at 1:00 p.m., are at the [Milwaukee Public Museum](#). The morning tour is of the [Crossroads of Civilization exhibition](#), which explores how the ancient civilizations of Africa, Europe, and Asia came together to form an epicenter of complex culture. The afternoon tour, a “behind-the-scenes” visit to the museum’s Anthropology lab, explores material culture and the handling of objects with the

Curator of Anthropology. All MPM tours include admission to the museum for the whole of the conference weekend.

The [Pabst Mansion](#), featuring 37 rooms, 12 baths and 14 fireplaces, can be toured at 1:30 p.m. This beautiful home, owned by sea captain and beer baron Frederick Pabst, was built in the early 1890s in the Flemish Renaissance style on Milwaukee’s historic Grand Avenue. It contains elegant furnishings and interior decorations from around the world.

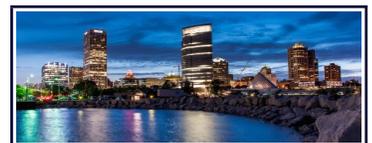


For those wishing to enjoy the summer solstice, we are offering a Downtown Milwaukee walking tour at 7 p.m. The later start allows registrants ample time to enjoy the opening reception before heading into the heart of the city. The tour highlights Milwaukee’s history and architecture downtown. Attendees will learn about Milwaukee’s early founders while viewing iconic buildings including the Mackie Building, the original Gimbels store, the new Northwestern Mutual, the Milwaukee Art Museum, and many more along Wisconsin Avenue.

Tours on Friday commence at 4 p.m. Join UW–Milwaukee history professor Aims McGuinness at [Turner Hall](#) for an exploration of Milwaukee’s rich building history, as well its as radical politics from 1848 to 1960. Focusing on socialism in the city, we will read Turner Hall’s architecture, paintings, and stained-glass windows for evidence of the city’s changing place in the history of revolution. It is the only building in Milwaukee that currently holds the three following honorary architectural and historical designations: a National Landmark, a listing on the National Registry of Historic Places, and a local Historical Landmark.



Following Turner Hall, stick around the neighborhood as the 8 p.m. tour boat will be boarding at the nearby dock for a tour of the city and lake. Enjoy the beginning of summer from the perfect vantage point. More information about the boat tour will be posted on line soon.



The final tour at the MPM meets Saturday at 3:30 p.m. This material culture–focused tour of the North American Indian hall will highlight the *A Tribute to Survival* exhibition. Beyond the fascinating artifacts on display, learn how the museum uses the exhibits to support and enhance learning for grade school through university students. This tour will be led by the Curator of Anthropology and the ticket price includes museum admission.

For those registrants unable to attend a tour at the MPM, admission for WHA conference attendees is discounted (\$13) the weekend of the conference. This special rate benefits all our attendees, as it is less than both the student and retiree admission as well. Our very last event, which will be posted on line soon, is the Saturday night Milwaukee beer history and tasting at 7 p.m. Enjoy the company of beer experts and Midwesterners who know the city’s brew offerings.

To read more about the tours and to register, visit the [Milwaukee 2018 conference page](#).

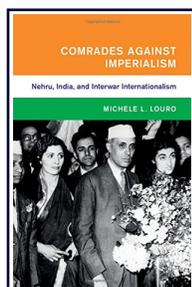
Polish War Crime Law

The World History Association supports the [statement issued by the American Historical Association](#) condemning the new Polish law criminalizing references to Polish complicity in Nazi war crimes. The AHA reiterates its “longstanding objection to any and all . . . efforts by the Polish government or by any party to stifle speech and to restrict the content of scholarship concerned with Poland’s role in the Holocaust and related war crimes.” “Wide-ranging and unfettered investigation,” WHA Vice President Laura Mitchell adds, “is the heart of scholarly practice—in archives, labs, and classrooms. Restrictions on the topics we can ask questions about undermine the principles of academic freedom and intellectual inquiry that our education system is based on. It is important to fight for those principles wherever we see them being eroded.”

Member’s Book:

Comrades against Imperialism

WHA treasurer Michele Louro’s book *Comrades against Imperialism: Nehru, India, and Interwar Internationalism* will be published in March by Cambridge University Press. The book compiles the debates, introduces the personalities, and reveals the ideas that seeded Jawaharlal Nehru’s political vision for India and the wider world. Set between the world wars, it argues that Nehru’s politics reached beyond India in order to fulfill a greater vision of internationalism that was rooted in his experiences with anti-imperialist and antifascist mobilizations in the 1920s and



1930s. Using archival sources from India, the United States, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Germany, and Russia, Louro offers a study of Nehru’s internationalism as well as contributes a necessary interwar history of institutions and networks that were confronting imperialist, capitalist, and fascist hegemony in the twentieth-century world. She provides readers with a global intellectual history of anti-imperialism and Nehru’s appropriation of it, while also establishing a history of a typically overlooked period.

The publisher is offering a 20% discount, good through 1 January 2019, accessible using code LOUR02018. To purchase at the discounted price, visit [the publisher’s page](#) and use the discount code at checkout.

Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowships

The American Council of Learned Societies, of which the WHA has been a member since 2011, has announced a new fellowship program for community college faculty. The Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowships, made possible by a generous grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, will support the research ambitions of humanities and social science faculty who teach at two-year colleges.

These fellowships deepen ACLS’s commitment to extending the reach of its programs to humanities scholars from a broader range of institutions as the organization approaches its centennial in 2019. Last fall, the Council announced that it was expanding the number of awards offered in its central ACLS Fellowship program with the goal of increasing support for scholars at teaching-intensive colleges and universities. The program is also part of a larger Mellon Foundation initiative. Since 2014, Mellon has made 12 grants in support of humanities faculty at community colleges.

ACLS will award up to 26 Mellon/ACLS Community College Faculty Fellowships in 2018–19, which will be the first of three competitions funded by this grant. The research projects in the humanities or humanistic social sciences to be supported by this program may have a wide range of outcomes, including scholarly or pedagogical articles, book chapters, or books; course plans and textbooks; exhibitions and community/campus events; online resources, etc. Fellowships carry a stipend of \$40,000, which may be used flexibly as salary support, research funds, or for any other activity that advances the proposed project.

Proposals must be submitted through ACLS’s online application system, which will begin accepting applications in late July. Further information about the program and eligibility criteria are available [on line](#). The application deadline is 26 September 2018.