

Meals, Accommodations, and Travel

Location: All planned functions, except dinner on the 5th and the reception on the 6th, will be held in the meeting hotel. The enclosed map will provide initial directions to the hotel, and more detailed information will be included in your registration packet to be picked up at the meeting.

Meals and Socials: Three luncheons and dinner on May 5 are included in the price of registration. Coffee and tea will be available throughout the meeting in one of the hotel's elegant sitting rooms. The luncheons will be served buffet-style in a room adjoining the meeting room. The May 5 dinner will be held at the informal Cock of the Walk restaurant located in Natchez-Under-the-Hill, which is the area famous for its wild riverboat life in the nineteenth century. The annual banquet will be served in the Eola meeting rooms after a social hour. The noon reception on May 5 will be held adjacent to the meeting room and will be hosted by the University of Mississippi. The reception on May 6 following the tours is still being planned, but will probably be held in one of Natchez' historic homes that is not open to the public. For the evening of May 6 you will be provided with an annotated list of local restaurants, most of which are within walking distance of the hotel.

Lodging: A block of rooms has been reserved at the Natchez Eola Hotel for participants. This hotel was built in 1927 to become the most luxurious hotel in Natchez, and was beautifully restored only a few years ago. Now on the National Register of Historic Places, the Eola is located at the center of historic Natchez and is convenient to historic homes, antique shops, and restaurants in all price ranges. In addition, the Eola incorporates two restaurants and two lounges, one of them on the rooftop offering sunset views of the Mississippi. The room rates for the meeting are \$38 single and \$48 double. The enclosed reservation card must be returned to the hotel no later than April 20 to guarantee your room at these rates.

Tours: A tour of historic spots related to the French settlement in Natchez is included in full registrations. The Department of Archives and History's historical archaeologist has planned a tour that will commence with a walking tour departing from the hotel and culminating at the site of Fort Rosalie (built in 1716) overlooking the Mississippi River. The tour will then proceed by bus to Hope Farm, once the home of the eighteenth-century Spanish governor of Natchez, and then on to the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians, an impressive temple mound site occupied during the eighteenth century and scene of many of the events recounted by Du Pratz in his *Histoire de la Louisiane*. By popular demand, we have arranged a "sampler" tour of three antebellum homes to run concurrent with the French colonial history tour; there is an additional charge for this tour, so please be sure to include it with your registration if you or your spouse wish to take advantage of this glimpse of nineteenth-century Natchez.

Climate: Perhaps one need say no more than Spanish moss and magnolias, but while daytime temperatures can approach the middle 80s in May, evenings are generally twenty degrees cooler. While the possibility of rain cannot be ruled out, it is most likely to be confined to the afternoon.

Travel: This presents our greatest logistical problem, since it is not easy to reach Natchez by public carrier. We have arranged transportation from Jackson to Natchez for those arriving by plane, train, or bus; we plan to leave Jackson for Natchez at 4:00 P.M. on May 4 with a large chartered bus, so we urge you to

plan to arrive before that time. From mid-morning until departure time for Natchez we have arranged a meeting area in the State Historical Museum, which is convenient to the art museum, natural history museum, state archives, restaurants, and some shopping. Coffee will be available, and anyone coming south by car is urged to join us in Jackson for a break before the final leg of the journey. We plan to travel down the historic Natchez Trace, which provides a beautiful and lesser-known view of the region's interior.

Participants traveling by air should plan to fly into the Jackson, Mississippi airport, which is accessible directly from most airlines' hub centers. If you will travel by Delta airlines, a local travel agent in Jackson may be able to arrange an advantageous fare (up to 40% off) for you if you can purchase your ticket at least seven days before departure. Call the McGehee Travel Agency at 1-800-362-4664 and ask for the "French/Natchez Desk." The Jackson airport is located at some distance from town, so we must know your time of arrival in order to arrange a transfer for you to the State Historical Museum in town.

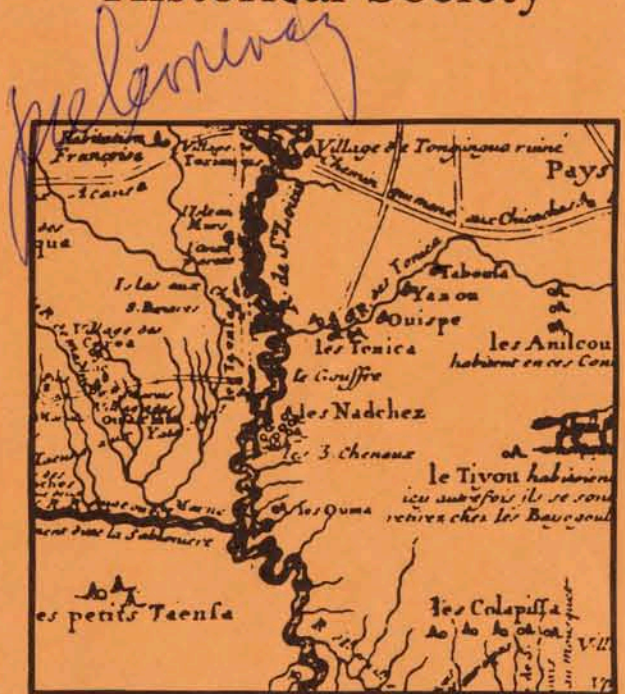
Participants traveling by bus will arrive less than half a block from the State Historical Museum.

Participants traveling by train from Chicago or New Orleans will arrive about four long blocks from the State Historical Museum. If you plan to bring an inordinate amount of luggage, let us know that you will need to be picked up. We will arrange pickup as a matter of course if it is raining.

Participants traveling by automobile from the north or east will want to know that Jackson is located at the junction of I-20 and I-55; from Jackson we suggest that you travel southeast to Natchez on the Natchez Trace Parkway, but we urge you to pay attention to the fact that the 50 MPH limit is strictly enforced on the Trace. If you are traveling from the south or west, you will want to know that Natchez is located at the junction of US 61 and US 84. We will send you maps of Mississippi and Natchez as soon as we know that you are traveling by car.

Participants arriving by riverboat can of course land directly at Natchez at only a few blocks' distance from the hotel.

Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the French Colonial Historical Society



Natchez, Mississippi
May 4-7, 1988

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French Colonial Historical Society Fourteenth Annual Meeting, May 4-7, 1988

May 4, Wednesday

Arrival, Transfers, Registration

May 5, Thursday

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration, coffee

9:00-10:30 a.m.

OFFICERS, PLANTERS, AND SETTLEMENT IN COLONIAL LOUISIANA

Chairperson: *Joseph Wilkins*, Livingston University

Carl Brasseaux, University of Southwestern Louisiana

"Louisiana Post Commandants: An Approach to a Group History"

Glenn Conrad, University of Southwestern Louisiana

"Former French Officers in Spanish Service"

Samuel Wilson, Jr., Koch and Wilson Architects

"Louis-Pierre Le Blond de la Tour, Engineer-in-Chief of French Colonial Louisiana, 1720-1723"

Commentator: *Daniel Usner, Jr.*, Cornell University

10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

FRENCH IMPERIALISM IN THE EARLY EIGHTEENTH CENTURY

Chairperson: *John Aubrey*, Newberry Library

Dale Standen, Trent University

"Problems of the French Empire at Detroit and on the Ohio Frontier, 1729-1749"

James Pritchard, Queen's University

"Changing International Relations, European Diplomacy, and French Imperial Policy in the post-Utrecht Era"

Commentator: *Dale Miquelon*, University of Saskatchewan

12:15-1:00 p.m.

Reception hosted by Department of History, University of Mississippi

1:00-2:15 p.m.

Luncheon

2:30-4:00 p.m.

THE FRENCH IN AFRICA

Chairperson and Commentator: *William I. Shorrock*, Cleveland State University

Brian Digre, University of Southern Mississippi

"French Colonial Expansion and the First World War: The Partition of Togo and Cameroon"

Martine Loutfi, Tufts University

"La Compagnie Forestiere Shanga-Oubangi in the Works of Andre Gide and Louis-Ferdinand Celine"

4:15-5:45 p.m.

Michel-Robert Granger, Brooks, Alberta, Canada

"Agadir Avant: A Descriptive Analysis of Non-Muslim Residents, ca. 1950"

COLONIALISM EPITOMIZED

Chairperson: *Steve Webre*, Northwestern Louisiana State University

Clarinda Donato, Santa Clara University

"Colonialism as Seen by the Encyclopedists of the Eighteenth Century: Diderot/D'Alembert and the Swiss"

Hedia Khadhar, Sidi-Bou-Said, Tunisia

"Diderot, Raynal et les Indiens"

Commentator: *Mathe Allain*, University of Southwestern Louisiana

Dinner, Natchez-Under-the-Hill

7:00 p.m.

May 6, Friday

8:00-8:30 a.m.

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Registration, coffee

SOCIAL HISTORY OF THE NORTH AMERICAN FRENCH COLONIES

Chairperson: *Cecile Trepanier*, Universite Laval

Peter N. Moogk, University of British Columbia

"Notables, Habitants and Others: The Social Order of New France in 1700"

Carl Ekberg, Illinois State University

"Nicolas de Finiels' Account of Upper Louisiana"

Winstanley Briggs, Newberry Library

"Old Man River vs. The Customary Village: Kaskaskia and the Mississippi"

Commentator: *Margaret Brown*, Cahokia Mounds Historic Site

10:15-11:45 a.m.

THE FRENCH IN THE CARIBBEAN

Chairperson: *Philip P. Boucher*, University of Alabama in Huntsville

David Geggus, University of Florida

"Demographic Composition of the French Slave Trade"

John Garrigus, The Johns Hopkins University

"Justice and the Written Word in Colonial France: The Royal Notaries of Saint Domingue, 1760-69"

Commentator: *Robert Forester*, The Johns Hopkins University

12:00-1:45 p.m.

Luncheon

Speaker: *Jack Elliott*, Mississippi Department of Archives and History

"Ongoing Archaeological Research at Fort Rosalie des Natchez"

1:45-5:30 p.m.

Tour of the Natchez Region: French Colonial Sites and French-Influenced Architecture (Optional: Three Antebellum Homes of Natchez)

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Reception

7:00 p.m.

Dinner (on your own)

May 7, Saturday

8:00-8:30 a.m.

Registration, coffee

8:30-10:00 a.m.

FRENCH COLONIALISM IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY: MONARCHY AND REPUBLIC

Chairperson and Commentator: *Robert Weiner*, Lafayette College

Dean O'Donnell, Virginia Polytechnic Institute

"Theodore Roustain in Syria, 1860-74"

Maxine Taylor, Northwestern Louisiana State University

"Scientific Expeditions During the July Monarchy"

Mary Kimbrough, Texas Southern University

"The French Falklands"

10:15-11:45 a.m.

GUERRILLA WARFARE IN THE FRENCH COLONIAL SETTING

Chairperson and Commentator: *Michael Haith*, U.S. Military Academy

Charles Balesi, Chicago Public Schools

"A Difficult Problem: Maintaining Control Over the Sahel During World War One"

Denys Delage, Universite Laval

"La guerre de guerrilla franco-canadienne au XVIIIeme siecle en Nouvelle-France"

Douglas Porch, The Citadel

"From Bugeaud to Bazain: The Adaptability of the French Foreign Legion to Irregular Warfare in Algeria and Mexico, 1840-1867"

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Luncheon, FCHS Business Meeting

1:45-3:15 p.m.

LITERATURE OF FRENCH COLONIALISM

Chairperson and Commentator: *John O'Connor*, University of New Orleans

Pauline Pearson-Stamps, Mississippi State University

"La Litterature noire francaise ou francaise noire?"



Wendelin A. Guentner, University of Iowa

"Fromentin et la tradition du voyage litteraire"

3:30-5:00 p.m.

FRENCH-INDIAN RELATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA

Chairperson: *Gary Anderson*, Texas A&M University

Joseph L. Peyser, Indiana University at South Bend

"The Fate of the Fox Survivors, 1730-1737"

Wilbur E. Meneray, Tulane University

"A Comparison of the Use of Client Armies in the Southeast by the French and the English"

Commentator: *Michael Foret*, The College of William and Mary

6:15-7:15 p.m.

Social Hour

7:30 p.m.

Banquet: Feasting in the Louisiana Colony

Jay Gitlin, Yale University, will host "The Songs of Colonialism"

Conference Co-chairs: *Patricia K. Galloway*, Mississippi Department of Archives and History
James Cooke, University of Mississippi