

# NEASECS 2023

Saturday, November 18:

(All times are in Eastern Standard Time)

Opening remarks and welcome 8:00-8:15

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Meeting ID: 989 3231 1010

Session 1: 8:30 - 9:45:

A. *Encounters with the Other*. Chair: Ziyang Zhang (University of Sydney)

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Ziyang **Zhang** (University of Sydney)

"France as the Mirror of Ireland: Rethinking Irish In/dependence and Minor Female Characters in Betsy Sheridan's *The Triumph of Prudence over Passion* (1781)"

Arpit **Kumar** (University of Notre Dame)

"Interoceptive Travels: Resolving Ancient Animositities in Tobias Smollett's *The Expedition of Humphry Clinker*"

B. *Pastoral Explorations*. Chair: Katherine Quinsey (University of Windsor)

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Ramit **Samaddar** (Jadavpur University)

"Grasmere in Charlotte Smith's *Ethelinde*"

Katherine **Quinsey** (University of Windsor)

"Anne Finch and Biblical Ecofeminism"

Session 2: 10:00 - 11:15:

- A. *America and its Influences*. Chair: David Curtis (Belmont University)  
<https://belmontu.zoom.us/j/81362439363>

Grant **Coleman** (Louisiana State University Shreveport)

"Daniel Boone: Paradoxical Expansion in 18<sup>th</sup>-Century America"

David **Curtis** (Belmont University)

"'Till not one monster of the race remains': Notes Toward a Revolutionary Gothic"

Deborah **Armintor** (University of North Texas)

"*Caleb Williams* and the Whistleblower Protection Act of 1778"

- B. *French Explorations in the Long Eighteenth Century*.  
Chair: Charlee **Bezilla** (George Washington University)  
<https://georgetown.zoom.us/j/98001168609>  
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Robert **Twiss** (University of Toronto)

"*Le Plus Honnête Homme du monde?* From the *Grand Siècle* to the *Lumières* in Lahontan's *Dialogues Curieux*"

Charlee **Bezilla** (George Washington University)

"Science, Religion, and Tradition in the Face of Catastrophe: The Case of Antoine-Léonard Thomas"

Béatrice **Leblanc-Martineau** (University of Ottawa)

"The Invention and Reinvention of the *Causes Célèbres*, 1734-1789"

Jeffrey M. **Leichman** (Louisiana State University)

"Old Plays in New Orleans: The French-Language Theatrical Repertoire of the Early Federal Period"

**Session 3: 11:30 - 12:45:**

- A. *Echoes of the Eighteenth Century*. Chair: Guy Spielmann (Georgetown University)  
<https://georgetown.zoom.us/j/98160847371>  
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Amy **Wyngaard** (Syracuse University)  
"The Longevity of Laclos' *Liaisons dangereuses*"

Doe **Polanz** (James Madison University)  
"Marie Antoinette dans le manga japonais"

Guy **Spielmann** (Georgetown University)  
"Nos mœurs (toujours aussi) inconséquentes: l'actualité sans fin des  
*Liaisons dangereuses*"

- B. *Religion, Literature, Identity*. Chair: Jonathan C. Williams (Bilkent University)  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6236132191?pwd=WldVTld6dEVqRkxxbU51YXRFNEVUdz09>  
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Jonathan C. **Williams** (Bilkent University)  
"Cowper, *The Task*, and the End of Poetry"

Sean **Moore** (University of New Hampshire)  
"The Catholics Stole my Bible': Protestantism as Whiteness from the  
Mystery Plays to Equiano's Interesting Narrative"

William **Everdell**  
"Deism dismissed in all three Abrahamic religions: Methodism, Hasidism,  
Wahhabi Islam, and Counter-Enlightenment ca. 1740-1790"

**Break for Lunch/Virtual Coffee Hour 12:45-2:00**  
**(NEASECS Executive Meeting)**

**Session 4: 2:00 - 3:15:**

A. *New and Old in Eighteenth-Century British Literature and Culture.*

Chair: Andrew Clark (Fordham University).

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John **Eglin** (University of Montana)

"Re-Inventing the Wheel: EO and the Probability Revolution in Commercial Gaming"

Cecilia **Feilla** (Marymount Manhattan College)

"For we alone, who live for *love*: Sentimental Pilgrims and Literary Tourism at the Abbey of Abelard and Heloise"

Hilary **Fezzey** (University of Wisconsin-Superior)

"The Curious Cases of Hugh Blair of Borgue and Sir Hugh in Burney's *Camilla*"

B. *Encounters with Old and New.* Chair: Xinyuan **Qiu** (Binghamton University)

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Ana Sofia **Louro** and Federico **Pretese** (University of Lisbon)

"*Scrutatio* of Shelley's translation of *Symposium*"

Anila **Shree** (Independent scholar)

"Old Romances and New Novels: Grieving with Objects in Jane Barker's *The Galesia Trilogy*"

Xinyuan **Qiu** (Binghamton University)

"The Beginning of an 'Opium Fantasy' and Opium-eating Women in Eighteenth-Century British Novels"

Session 5: 3:30 – 4:45:

A. *Women's Agency in the Long Eighteenth Century.*

Chair: Kirsten A. Smitherman (University of North Carolina, Charlotte)

<https://charlotte-edu.zoom.us/j/92711960731>

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Kat **Gibson** (University of Maine)

"Personal Protection and Legal Reform: How *Pamela* Gives Readers Agency and Political Awareness"

Julia **McCool** (Georgia College and State University)

"The Lady Puppet Master: Dismantling Stereotypes in *Emma*"

Kirsten A. **Smitherman** (University of North Carolina, Charlotte)

"'In this enlightened age': Contesting the Divine Right of Husbands"

B. *Slavery and its Legacy.* Chair: Roxanne Brousseau (University of Montreal)

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Roxanne **Brousseau** (University of Montreal)

"'No Shame for His Own Flesh': Women of Colour and Sexual Violence in Mary Prince's *The History of Mary Prince, A West Indian Slave, Related by Herself*"

Yio Kyoung (Esther) **Kim** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

"The Paradox of English Liberty and Slave Plantation Reforms in Jamaica: Stewardship as Freedom in *The History of Sir George Ellison*"

**Keynote: 5:00**

Marlene Daut,  
Professor of French and African Diaspora Studies, Yale University:  
"Monarchy after Revolution: The Life and Times of Haiti's King Henry Christophe I"

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