

American Universities, Monuments, and the Legacies of Slavery

Provost Symposium

**DUKE UNIVERSITY
MARCH 30-31**

**HOLSTI-ANDERSON FAMILY ASSEMBLY ROOM
(RUBENSTEIN LIBRARY ROOM 153)**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FRIDAY, MARCH 30**

9:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Deborah Jakubs, Rita DiGiallonardo Holloway University Librarian, Vice
Provost for Library Affairs and Adjunct Associate Professor of History,
Duke University

OPENING REMARKS

Vincent E. Price, President of Duke University and Walter Hines Page
Professor of Public Policy and Political Science

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Sally Kornbluth, Provost and Jo Rae Wright University Professor

KEYNOTE

“What Nineteenth-Century European Travelers Saw in the Time of Trump”

Nell Irvin Painter, Edwards Professor Emerita of American History, Princeton
University

10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:30 a.m.

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES: RECKONING WITH
THE PAST, PART 1**

Moderator: William H. Chafe, Alice Mary Baldwin Professor Emeritus of
History, Duke University

Panelists:

Kirt von Daacke, Professor and Assistant Dean, College of Arts & Sciences,
University of Virginia

Leslie M. Harris, Professor of History, Northwestern University

Adam Rothman, Professor of History, Georgetown University

Deborah Gray White, Board of Governors Professor of History, Rutgers
University

12:00 p.m. LUNCH

12:00 p.m.

GRADUATE STUDENT SEMINAR

Freedom Papers: An Atlantic Odyssey in the Age of Emancipation (Jean Hébrard, with
Rebecca J. Scott (Harvard University Press, 2012))

2012 Alfred J. Beveridge Award, American Historical Association

2012 James A. Rawley Prize, American Historical Association

Led by Jean Hébrard, Visiting Professor of History, Johns Hopkins University
and Co-director of the Centre de Recherches sur le Brésil contemporain,
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociale (Paris)

1:15 p.m.

**AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES: RECKONING WITH
THE PAST, PART 2**

Moderator: Sarah Deutsch, Professor of History, Duke University

Panelists:

Jan Blodgett, Davidson College Commission on Race & Slavery

Valerie Gillispie, University Archivist, Rubenstein Library, Duke University

Stephen O'Neil, Professor of History, Furman Task Force on Slavery and
Justice

Melinda Wiggins, Executive Director, Student Action with Farmworkers,
Center for Documentary Studies, Duke University

2:15 p.m. BREAK

2:30 p.m.

**LEGACIES OF SLAVERY: MONUMENTS AND
MONUMENTAL HISTORIES**

Moderator: Deborah R. Gerhardt, Associate Professor of Law, University of
North Carolina School of Law

Panelists:

Paul B. Jaskot, Professor of Art History, Duke University

Kirk Savage, William S. Dietrich II Professor in the History of Art and
Architecture, University of Pittsburgh

William Sturkey, Assistant Professor of History, University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill

3:45 p.m.

MONUMENTS AND COUNTERMONUMENTS

Moderator: Guy-Uriel Charles, Edward and Ellen Marie Schwarzman
Professor of Law and Senior Associate Dean for Faculty & Research,
Duke Law School

Panelists:

Martha S. Jones, Society of Black Alumni Professor of History, Johns Hopkins
University

Darrell A.H. Miller, Melvin G. Shimm Professor of Law, Duke Law School

Neil S. Siegel, David W. Ichel Professor of Law and Professor of Political
Science, Co-Director of the Program in Public Law, and Director of the
DC Summer Institute on Law and Policy, Duke Law School

Norman W. Spaulding, Nelson Bowman Sweitzer & Marie B. Sweitzer
Professor of Law, Stanford Law School

5:15 p.m. RECEPTION AND BOOK SIGNING

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

9:00 a.m.

WELCOME

Valerie S. Ashby, Dean of Trinity College of Arts & Sciences and Professor of
Chemistry, Duke University

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Abbas Benmamoun, Vice Provost for Faculty Advancement and Professor of
Asian and Middle Eastern Studies and Linguistics, Duke University

KEYNOTE

“Extending the Domain of Freedom: The Black Professional Class, 1890-1940”

Darlene Clark Hine, Board of Trustees Professor of African American Studies and Professor of History Emerita, Northwestern University and John A. Hannah Distinguished Professor of History, Michigan State University

10:15 a.m.

SLAVERY AND ITS LEGACIES: EDUCATION, LABOR, AND THE SOUTHERN ECONOMY

Moderator: Seth Sanders, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, Duke University

Panelists:

Lisa Cook, Associate Professor of Economics and International Relations, Michigan State University

Robert A. Margo, Professor of Economics, Research Associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, Boston University

Heather Williams, Presidential Professor and Professor of Africana Studies, University of Pennsylvania

Gavin Wright, William Robertson Coe Professor of American Economic History, Emeritus, Stanford University

11:45

LUNCH CONVERSATION

TRINITY COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES: STUDENT VOICES, PAST AND PRESENT

Moderator: Paula D. McClain, Dean of The Graduate School, Vice Provost for Graduate Education, and Professor of Political Science and Public Policy

Elizabeth Barahona, T’18

Cynthia Griggs Fleming, Professor of History Emerita, University of Tennessee, G’77

Colonel Kimberley K. L. Greene, U.S. Air Force, Retired, T’87

Lorin Peri Palmer, T ‘78

(This lunchtime session is open to all attendees with lunch served.)

1:00 p.m.

RACECRAFT, RACISM, AND INEQUALITY

IN CONVERSATION

Barbara J. Fields, Professor of History, Columbia University and Karen E. Fields, Sociologist and Independent Scholar
Authors of *RACECRAFT: THE SOUL OF INEQUALITY IN AMERICAN LIFE*

Moderator: Laurent Dubois, Professor of Romance Studies and History;
Founder and Faculty Director of the Forum for Scholars and Publics,
Duke University

2:00 p.m.

**WHITE SUPREMACY, MEMORY, AND
RECONSTRUCTION**

Moderator: Carlton E. Wilson, Interim Provost, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and Professor of History, North Carolina Central University

Panelists:

W. Fitzhugh Brundage, William B. Umstead Distinguished Professor and Chair,
Department of History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Adam Domby, Assistant Professor of History, College of Charleston
John Eason, Associate Professor of Sociology, Texas A & M University
H. Jefferson Powell, Professor of Law, Duke Law School

3:15 p.m. BREAK

3:30 p.m.

**THE ARC OF JUSTICE: WHAT UNIVERSITIES
OUGHT TO DO ABOUT REPARATIONS**

Moderator: Mark Anthony Neal, Professor of African & African American Studies and English, and Chair of the Department of African & African American Studies, Duke University

Panelists:

Ana Lucia Araujo, Professor of History, Howard University,
William Darity, Samuel Dubois Cook Professor of Public Policy, Economics

and African & African American Studies and Director of the Samuel
DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity, Duke University
Kirsten Mullen, Independent scholar and founding president of Artefactual.

4:30 pm

CLOSING PLENARY

MONUMENTS, MEMORY, AND SOUTHERN HISTORY

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Linda Burton, James B. Duke Professor of Sociology and Public Policy and
Director of the Duke Center for Child and Family Policy, Duke
University

Speaker: David Blight, Class of 1954 Professor of American History, and
Director of the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery,
Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University

Followed by a conversation with Laura Edwards, Peabody Family Professor of
History, Duke University and Thavolia Glymph, Professor of History and
African & African American Studies and John Hope Franklin Visiting
Professor of American Legal History, Duke University

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