

2019 New Jersey History Conference Call for Papers

New Jersey Women Make History

November 1, 2019

Douglass Residential College, Rutgers University – New Brunswick



The New Jersey Historical Commission (NJHC), New Jersey State Archives, and New Jersey State Museum are pleased to announce *New Jersey Women Make History*, the 2019 New Jersey History Conference, scheduled for Friday, November 1, 2019 at Douglass Residential College, Rutgers University – New Brunswick. From the Lenape women who first inhabited the land we call New Jersey and artist and spy Patience Lovell Wright to suffragist Reverend Florence Spearing Randolph and Seabrook community leader Ellen Noguchi Nakamura, the history of the Garden State is a history of women breaking barriers and leading change. The 2019 conference will explore and celebrate the stories of the diverse women who made and continue to make New Jersey history.

The New Jersey History Conference is an annual program that highlights the importance of studying and sharing local history and invites established and emerging scholars, educators, public historians, and a broad spectrum of social science and humanities researchers to present new research that facilitates greater public awareness of New Jersey history. **The focus of the conference is on New Jersey, though topics relating to the broader Mid-Atlantic region will be considered.**

We encourage proposals featuring women representing diverse backgrounds, experiences, and professions who shaped the state we know today. Presentations exploring New Jersey women's history may consider: the experiences of African American, Latina, Asian American, Native American, and immigrant women; women in the visual and decorative arts; women in education, religion, and medicine; female entrepreneurs, social activists, politicians, and scientists; historic women's clubs, voluntary associations, and colleges; the suffrage and women's movement; women in the LGBTQ community; and archival projects and museum exhibits about women in New Jersey.

The event attracts a mixed audience that includes scholars, public historians, and history enthusiasts. It is suggested that presenters do not read their papers; presentations that summarize research and encourage audience discussion receive better feedback from our attendees. As such, the NJ History Conference Committee accepts proposals for presentations featuring research and does not require a full paper submission. The Committee will also accept proposals for a full panel of speakers presenting on a given topic. Some presentation summaries and papers may be selected for publication in *New Jersey Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, the online journal co-sponsored by Monmouth University, the New Jersey Historical Commission, and Rutgers University Libraries.

Submission:

Please email your proposal to NJHC Communications Officer Greer Luce at greer.luce@sos.nj.gov by **June 17, 2019**. Your submission will be reviewed by the NJ History Conference Committee and you will be notified of the acceptance of your proposal no later than August 2019. **We will only consider one submission per individual.**

Proposals **MUST** include:

- Contact information (address, telephone, email).
- The title of the paper or presentation.
- A one-paragraph bio that includes how you would like to be listed in conference materials. **If you are submitting for a panel, please include a bio for each speaker.**
- An abstract of no more than 500 words.
- Any audio-visual or electrical requirements necessary for your presentation.

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