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Veterans: Surviving, Enduring, and Remembering War

Program of Events

Wednesday, 11 September

- 5:45 p.m. Transportation departs from the Navy Gateway Inns & Suites (NGIS)
- 6:00 p.m. Welcome Reception – Naval War College Museum, 1st Floor
- 6:00 p.m. Welcome Remarks
RDML Shoshana S. Chatfield, USN, President, U.S. Naval War College
- 8:00 p.m. Transportation returns to NGIS

Thursday, 12 September

- 7:45 a.m. Transportation departs NGIS for U.S. Naval War College
- 8:00 a.m. Conference Registration and Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Opening Remarks
J. Ross Dancy, U.S. Naval War College
Brian Jordan, Sam Houston State University
Matt Becker, University of Massachusetts Press
- 9:00 a.m. Panel 1: USMC Veterans Impact on History
Moderator: John Hattendorf, U.S. Naval War College
Mark Folse, United States Naval Academy
“The Forgotten Men”: Marine Veterans of World War I
Kathy Williams, United State Naval Academy
World War II Marine Corps Veterans and the Experience of War
John Worsencroft, Louisiana Tech University
The Marine Corps is Not a “Test Tube for Social Experimentation”: Protecting the Corps in the Post-Vietnam Era
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. Panel 2A: Veterans and Politics – Mahan Reading Room
Moderator: Craig Symonds, U.S. Naval War College
Keith Altavilla, Lonestar College-CyFair
Veterans in the Party Platforms
Anotida Chikumbu, University of Massachusetts, Amherst
“From Combatants to Contractors”: The Role Played by War Veterans in the development of Post-War Societies in Southern Rhodesia (Colonial Zimbabwe), c.1919-1939
Glenn Robins, Georgia South Western State University
Georgia and Vietnam Veterans: Jimmy Carter, Max Cleland, and the Free College Tuition Debate
- Panel 2B: Veterans of the Napoleonic Era – General Board Room
Moderator: Kevin McCranie, U.S. Naval War College

J. Ross Dancy, U.S. Naval War College

Royal Navy Veterans in 1802 and 1815

Evan Wilson, U.S. Naval War College

"Bread or Blood": Veterans and Postwar Protests in Britain

Luke Reynolds, City University of New York

"Furnished the artist with every facility": Veteran Officers' Use of Patronage to Shape the British Memory of Waterloo

- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Panel 3A: Veterans Defining their History – Mahan Reading Room
Moderator: Nicholas Prime, Independent Scholar
David Kohnen, U.S. Naval War College
"Let's Get on with the War": Heroic Memory, Reputations, and the Traumatic Experience of Admiral William S. Sims after the First World War.
Stephanie Erwin, The George Washington University
Post 9/11 Veterans and Autobiographical Visual Histories: Home Memorials and Relic Collections
- Panel 3B: Sources and Methods for Understanding Veterans – General Board Room
Moderator: Nicholas Murray, U.S. Naval War College
Benjamin Remillard, University of New Hampshire
The Importance of Pension Records for Understanding Rhode Island's Revolutionary Veterans of Color
Mark Fiorey, U. S. Naval War College
South Vietnamese Veterans in America
Christopher Aragao, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Providence
Mapping the Veteran's Experience
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:30 p.m. Keynote Address
Bruno Cabanes, The Ohio State University
"We have come back from the dead": Veterans and the Experience of Liminality
Introduced by Brian Jordan
- 4:30 p.m. Break and Transit to Officers' Club
- 5:30 p.m. Drinks Reception
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner
With Poetry by Bill Ehrhart
Just for Laughs
- 8:00 p.m. Transportation returns to NGIS

Friday, 13 September

- 7:45 a.m. Transportation departs NGIS for U.S. Naval War College
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Panel 4: Marginalized Veterans in Modern America – Presentations and Roundtable Discussion
Moderator: John M. Kinder, Oklahoma State University
Enuresis and Shame: Bedwetting Veterans since World War II
Kara Dixon Vuic, Texas Christian University
She who has Borne the Battle: Vietnam Veterans of America's Women's Project
Jason A. Higgins, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Serving Time: A History of Incarcerated Veterans since Vietnam
Michael Gambone, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
The New Praetorians: Cultural Conflict Among Veterans and Civilians and Its Contemporary Impact

- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Panel 5: Disabled Veterans Organizations
 - Moderator: Brian Jordan, Sam Houston State University*
 - Ugo Pavan Dalla Torre, Leonardo Da Vinci High School, Padova, Italy*
 - A New Subject in the Politics of Remembrance in Italy: the Memory of the War in the Perspective of the Disabled Ex-Servicemen and their Association*
 - Anne-Lise Dall'Agnola, Université Paris 8 Vincennes Saint-Denis, Paris, France*
 - "Gueules Cassée": a Discreet yet Powerful Veterans' Organization*
 - Barbara Gannon, University of Central Florida*
 - "So-called" Disabilities: The Last Stand of the United Spanish War Veterans*
- 12:00 p.m. Collect Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Working Lunch
 - Benjamin Cooper, Lindenwood University, St. Charles, Missouri*
 - What was Veteran Literature?*
 - Introduced by Matt Becker, University of Massachusetts Press*
- 1:30 p.m. Break
- 1:45 p.m. Panel 6: From Ajax to Afghanistan: The Providence Clemente Veterans' Initiative (PCVI), and the Value of the Humanities for Today's Veterans – a Roundtable Discussion
 - Moderator: Mark Santow, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth*
 - Discussants:*
 - Jen Riley, University of Rhode Island*
 - Tyrone Smith, Operation Stand Down Rhode Island*
 - Sarah Cavanaugh, Department of Veterans' Affairs*
- 3:15 p.m. Break
- 3:30 p.m. Closing Keynote
 - Jonathan Shay, Department of Veterans' Affairs*
 - Thumos: Culture, Society, Mind, Brain*
 - Introduced by J. Ross Dancy*
- 4:30 p.m. Closing Remarks
- 5:00 p.m. Transportation departs for NGIS and T.F. Green Airport / KIN Train Station