



**Society for the History of Women in the Americas
(SHAW) Annual Conference
Friday 7th July 2023, 9.30am-5pm
Business School 3.16N,
Manchester Metropolitan
University, UK.**

Welcome to the SHAW one-day annual conference that has been co-organised with Manchester Metropolitan University. We have a wide range of papers on topics that centre the experience of women or those who identify as women in the history of the Americas. All panels will be in BS 3.16N.

The four panels this year focus on:

- **Reproduction and Motherhood During Slavery.**
- **Body Politics**
- **Cultural Activism**
- **Bodily Autonomy, Reproduction and Law in the Americas.**

Conference Programme

Registration and refreshments: 9.00am- 9.30am.

Conference welcome: 9.30am-9.45am

Marie Molloy, SHAW Chair, Manchester Metropolitan University.

Panel One: 9.45am-10.45am

Reproduction and Motherhood During Slavery.

Chair: Marie Molloy, Manchester Metropolitan University.

- Community-based gynaecological care and involuntary motherhood in the antebellum South, *Andrea Livesey, Liverpool John Moores University.*
- Freedom and Motherhood under Enslavement, *Hannah Simmons, Northwestern University.*

SHORT BREAK: 10.45am -11.05am (3.16N)

Panel Two: 11.05am- 12.50pm

Body Politics.

Chair: Sinead McEneaney, Open University

- Battlefield Bodies: Embodying the Borderland in Colonial Chile, *Beatriz Marín-Aguilera, Liverpool University.*
- She Said, He Said, He Said, He Said: Narrative destruction in a New York City Rape Case, 1916-1917, *Mara Keire, Oxford University.*
- The Response to Roe v. Wade among University Students in the Bible Belt: Examining Religious, Political, and Social Reactions to a Landmark Supreme Court Decision, *Emma Bowker, University College, London.*

- Protecting Pregnant Teens: Mothers Against Minors' Abortions and the Campaign for Parental Consent, *Isobel Bloom, University of Wisconsin-Madison.*

LUNCH BREAK: 12.50pm- 1.50pm (3.14N)

PANEL THREE: 1.50pm-2.50pm

Cultural Activism.

Chair: Mara Keire, Oxford University.

- Negro Theatre Workshop (NTW) and the Kuumba, *Alexandrea Keith, Northwestern University.*
- Rethinking the Matricidal Praxes at the Basis of the Plantationocene: Gloria Naylor's *Mama Day* (1988), *Marika Ceschia, Leeds University.*

SHORT BREAK: 2.50pm – 3.15pm (3.14N)

PLENARY ROUNDTABLE: 3.15pm- 4.50pm

Bodily Autonomy, Reproduction and Law in the Americas.

Chair: Hélène Charlery, University of Toulouse 2 Jean Jaurès

- Michell Chresfield, *Cornell University.*
- Rebecca Ogden, *University of Kent.*
- R. Sánchez-Rivera, *Cambridge University.*
- Genevieve Johnson-Smith, *Newcastle University.*

CLOSING COMMENTS: 4.50pm-5.00pm.

Marie Molloy, SHAW Chair, Manchester Metropolitan University.

CONFERENCE ENDS: 5pm

Conference Twitter: #shawconf23

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The optional conference dinner will be held at HOME restaurant, Manchester at 6pm [Food and Drink in Manchester - Places to Eat at HOME \(homemcr.org\)](#) Please note, this will incur an additional cost, on a pay as you go basis.

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