

# Communal Studies Association Virtual Conference

Thursday October 1-Saturday October 3, 2020

## Virtual Conference Schedule

**Sessions Overview: All times listed are Eastern Standard Time (US)**

<b>THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1</b>	<b>FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2</b>	<b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3</b>
<b>A: 10:00-11:30</b>	<b>F: 10:00-11:30</b>	<b>K: 10:00-11:30</b>
Opening Remarks, Keynote	Making Community	New Harmony
<b>B: 11:45-1:15</b>	<b>G: 11:45-1:15</b>	<b>L: 11:45-1:15</b>
Defining Community	19 <sup>th</sup> Century Communities	Creativity in Community
<b>C: 1:30-3:00</b>	<b>H: 1:30-3:00</b>	<b>M: 1:30-3:00</b>
Amana	Adapting to Modern Times	Shakers
<b>D: 3:15-4:45</b>	<b>I: 3:15-4:45</b>	<b>N: 3:15-4:45</b>
Gender, Sexuality, Utopia, Dystopia	Early 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Communities	Mormon History
<b>E: 5:00-6:30</b>	<b>J: 5:00-6:30</b>	<b>O: 5:00-6:30</b>
Panel Discussion: Sharing Analog Stories in a Digital Age	Continuing Modern Communities-Eco Communities	A Language of Their Own
7:00-9:00		
Awards Ceremony and Business Meeting		

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# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

## **A: 10:00-11:30, Keynote Session**

Introduction to Conference, Matt Grow

Mechanics of the Virtual Conference, Kathy Fernandez

## **Keynote Address: Foundations and Futures of Communal Studies**

Michael S. Showalter, Historic Ephrata Cloister

## **B: 11:45-1:15, Defining Community**

Moderator: Zach Rubin

**TAZ: Are Temporary Autonomous Zones Intentional Communities?**

Tim Miller, University of Kansas

**Capitol Hill Occupied Protest (CHOP Seattle) as an Intentional Community**

Kameron Abilla, Brigham Young University

**Could Retirement Homes Be Considered a Communal Society?**

Tom Kendig, Old Economy Village

## **C: 1:30 – 3:00, Amana**

Moderator: Jon Andelson

**Marriage and Celibacy in the Community of True Inspiration: New Sources, New Foundations**

Lanny Haldy, Amana Heritage Society

**Love, Sex and the Soul of an Inspirationist**

Emilie Hoppe, Amana Church Society

**Places to Pray: The Evolution of Inspirationist Meeting House and Concepts of Sacred Space**

Peter Hoehnle, Amana Heritage Society

## **D: 3:15-4:45, Gender, Sexuality, Utopia, Dystopia**

Moderator: Joe White

**Disharmonious Women: Rappite Responses to Female Harmonists Behaving Badly**

Cheryl Coulthard, Independent Scholar

**The Futures and Echoes of Oneida in Karezza**

Daniel Joslyn, New York University

**The Death Ray: Pierrepoint Noyes and the Dystopian Future of the Oneida Community**

Christa Shusko, York College of Pennsylvania

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## Thursday Sessions, Continued

### **E: 5:00-6:30, Panel Discussion**

**Moderator: Chris Roth\***

**Participants:**

**Sharing Analog Community Stories in a Digital Age; How to (Not?) Go Viral**

### **\*7:00: Awards Ceremony and Business Meeting**

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

### **F: 10:00-11:30, Making Community**

**Moderator: Elph Morgan**

**\*Conrad Beissel and the Early German Pietism\***

Hermann Ehmer, University of Tübingen

**The Coming of Disorder: Leading Manufacturers of the Deep South and their Mill Towns during the Civil War**

Francis Curran, West Virginia University

**Arts and Crafts Communities: Cooperative Commonwealths or Commercial Enterprises?**

John Murphy, University of San Diego

### **G: 11:45-1:15, 19<sup>th</sup> Century Communities: Sources and Interpretations**

**Moderator: Christa Shusko**

**De-emphasizing Foundational Knowledge Within the American Associationist Movement**

Ashley Garcia, University of Texas at Austin

**Happiness and Elevation of the Whole**

Mitchell Jones, The College at Brockport

**Karl Arndt and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission**

Joe White, Historic Harmony, Inc.

### **H: 1:30-3:00, Adapting to Modern Times**

**Moderator: Ruth Lambach**

**Adherence to Old Values in Times of Modern Crises: Hutterite Sustainability Then and Now**

Warner Woodworth, Faculty Emeritus, BYU and Founder of NGOs Worldwide

**Community in the Age of Coronavirus: How one urban Community applied difficult, yet effective Covid-19 precautions**

Lyda Jackson, Jesus People USA

**Intentional Community in the Time of Covid-19: A Look at a Senior Housing Co-op**

Deborah Altus, Washburn University

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## Friday Sessions, Continued

### **I: 3:15-4:45, Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century Communities**

**Moderator: Dan McKanan**

**“Next to Heaven on Earth”: Understanding the Appeal of the House of David**  
Evelyn Sterne, University of Rhode Island

**The Spiritual Narrative of Prince Michael**  
Julieanna Frost, Siena Heights University

**Camphill’s Fragile Foundation: The Past and Future of the Fundamental Social Law**  
Dan McKanan, Harvard Divinity School

### **J: 5:00-6:30, Continuing Modern Communities—Eco Communities**

**Moderator: Deborah Altus**

**Building Community: Dancing Rabbit’s Ecological Vision in Their Built Environment**  
Zach Rubin and Josh Lockyer  
Lander University, Arkansas Tech University

**Learning Sustainability Through Participation at Sirius Community**  
Lisa Mychajluk, University of Toronto

**Putting the Hermitage Back Together**  
Johannes Zinzendorf, The Hermitage

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

### **K: 10:00-11:30, New Harmony**

**Moderator: Josh Lockyer**

**Disseminating the Idea of Community: The New Harmony Gazette 1825-1828**  
Tamara Hunt, University of Southern Indiana

**Maclure and Lesueur's Lasting Legacy**  
Ritsert Rinsma, University of Caen

**Blanchot's Unavowable Community, New Harmony, and Developmental Communalism**  
Greg Brown, USI Center for Communal Studies Board

### **L: 11:45-1:45, Creativity in Community**

**Moderator: Stephanie Carpenter**

**Marianne Dwight Orvis’s Wild Flowers (1846): Creativity & Materiality at Brook Farm**  
Katherine Manthorne, Graduate Center, City University of New York

**Challenging and Reinterpreting Foundational Assumptions Regarding Musical Creativity at Ephrata**  
Christopher Herbert, William Paterson University

**The Creative Life Cycle of Community**  
Kirsten Stevens-Wood, Cardiff Metropolitan University

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## **Saturday Sessions, Continued**

### **M: 1:30-3:00, Shakers**

**Moderator: Christa Shusko**

**A Comparison of the Ephrata Community and the Shakers**

Lydia Jones, Historic Ephrata Cloister

**Reconsidering the Shaker Tree of Life: Cultural Antecedents and Fresh Interpretations**

Carol Medlicott, Northern Kentucky University

**First in the West: The Shaker Experience of Visionary Malcolm Worley and His Family**

Christian Goodwillie, Hamilton College

### **N: 3:15-4:45, Mormon History**

**Moderator: Warner Woodworth**

**The Mormon International: Transnational Communitarian Politics and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1830-1890**

Erik Freeman, The University of Connecticut / Choate Rosemary Hall

**Dynamics of Ecclesiastic Leadership in Mormon Communal Colonization; the San Juan Mission's Dance Hall Rock Decision**

Doug Major, Independent Historian

**Intentional Communities and Historic Sites: A Latter-day Saint Perspective**

Steven Olsen, LDS Church History Department

### **O: 5:00-6:30, A Language of Their Own**

**Moderator: Zach Rubin**

**Esperanto: The Rise and Fall and Rise of an Intentional Language Community**

Jeremy Genovese, Cleveland State University

**Theatrically Presenting Life and Events of Morning Star Ranch on Stage and as a Musical Audio Book**

Nicholas Alva. Alva Sound Art Studio

**\*Unthinkable Futures: Videogames as a Source for Utopian Thinking\***

Iker Arranz, California State University, Bakersfield