2019 SAN JACINTO SYMPOSIUM

Women and the Texas Revolution

Saturday, April 6, 2019
Wilhemina Cullen Robertson Auditorium
University of Houston-Downtown





PROGRAM

8:30-9:00 am CHECK-IN

On-site registration
Visit exhibitors

9:00-9:15 am

Welcome

Texas State Historical Association Frank de la Teja, Ph.D., CEO University of Houston-Downtown, Dr. Eric C Link, Provost

Introduction

James E. Crisp, Ph.D., Moderator

9:15-9:45 am

Sister, Do Not Be Afraid: Women of the Alamo, 1836
Bruce Winders, Ph.D.

9:45-10:00 am

10:00-10:30 am Tejanas on the Goliad-Victoria Frontier

Caroline Castillo Crimm, Ph.D.

10:30-11:00 am

Displaced: Women in the Runaway Scrape of 1836
Paula Marks, Ph.D.

11:00-11:15 am BREAK

11:15-11:45 am

Women at the Battle of San Jacinto

Jeff Dunn, J.D.

12:00-1:15 pm

Claiming the Revolution: Texan Women in History and Public Memory
Mary Scheer, Ph.D.
Presentation and Lunch

1:30 pm

Buses depart for tour of the San Jacinto Battlefield

SPEAKERS

Caroline Castillo Crimm

Owner, Historic Tours of Texas

She was born in Mexico City and moved to the United States with her family while in her teens. She attended the University of Miami for her BA, taught at Winter Park High School and worked in Personnel in Naples, Florida. She moved to Texas in 1980 and discovered her Mexican family had lived in Texas from 1792 until the 1880s when they lost their Spanish land grant to a neighboring Anglo family and moved to Reynosa, Tamaulipas. She finished her MA at Texas Tech and her PhD at the University of Texas at Austin. She taught at Sam Houston State University from 1992 until retired. She is starting her own company Historic Tours of Texas and lives with her husband Jack just north of Huntsville, Texas.

James E. Crisp

Professor of History at

North Carolina State University

His book, Sleuthing the Alamo: Davy Crockett's Last Stand and Other Mysteries of the Texas Revolution (Oxford University Press, 2004) won the T. R. Fehrenbach Award from the Texas Historical Commission. Texas A&M University Press published his How Did Davy Die? And Why Do We Care So Much? In 2010, the year he was inducted as a Fellow of the Texas State Historical Association. A Rice University graduate, Dr. Crisp earned his Ph.D. in history from Yale University. He has helped select Symposium speakers and served as moderator for the past dozen years.

Jeff Dunn

Practicing attorney with

Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, PC in Dallas

He has had a lifelong interest in the battle of San Jacinto. Jeff has lectured and published articles on the battle, presented tours of the battleground, and advocated for the preservation and interpretation of the battleground landscape. He co-founded the nonprofit San Jacinto Battleground Association (also called the San Jacinto Battleground Conservancy) in 2002 and served as Chairman of the San Jacinto Historical Advisory Board (2000-2007) as an appointee of Governors George W. Bush and Rick Perry. He has also served as Chairman of the Dallas County Historical Commission and as a Board member of the Texas State Historical Association.

Paula Marks

Professor Emerita of American Studies, St. Edward's University

Among her works are Turn Your Eyes Toward Texas: Pioneers Sam and Mary Maverick (Texas A&M, 1989), Hands to the Spindle: Texas Women and Home Textile Production, 1822-1880 (Texas A&M, 1996), and "Carving Out Creative Enterprise as a Woman in Texas, 1836-1900" in Creators and Consumers: Women and Material Culture and Visual Art in 19th-Century Texas, the Lower South, and the Southwest (Vol. 5, David B. Warren Symposium, 2016).

Mary L. Scheer

Professor of History, Lamar University; Director of the Center for History and Culture

She is a former Fulbright Scholar to Germany and has authored/edited five books including Women and the Texas Revolution, which won the Liz Carpenter Award for Texas Women's History. Her research interests include Texas, women, early twentieth century U.S. and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.

Richard Bruce Winders

Curator and Historian at the Alamo

Curator and Historian at the Alamo since July 1996. His works include Crisis in the Southwest: The United States, Mexico and the Struggle over Texas (Brown Littlefield, 2002), Sacrificed at the Alamo: Tragedy and Triumph in the Texas Revolutions (State House Press, 2003); and a book for juveniles, Davy Crockett: Legend of the Wild Frontier (Rosen, 2003). His latest book length publication is entitled Panting for Glory: The Mississippi Volunteers in the Mexican War, released by Texas A&M Press in 2016. His has served as consultant for the History Channel, Discovery Channel, Travel Channel, as well as appeared on their programs.



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