



# MAINE STATEHOOD AND BICENTENNIAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

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elcome to the University of Maine for a series of programs about Maine's statehood process and its rich and varied legacies. We are delighted that you can join us for the concerts, scholarly panels, and other events over the next three days. While we request a modest registration fee from those planning to join the full range of public programs, the Maine History Festival that starts at 2:30 p.m. on Friday afternoon, its reception, and the Keynote with two distinguished historians that follows are free to all. It's not too late to invite your friends and family to join us on Friday afternoon!

#### Liam Riordan

Conference Organizer Professor of History University of Maine



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### Day 1 - Thursday, May 30

2:00-3:00 pm

Conference Registration & Check-in

Lobby, Collins Center for the Arts

2:00-5:00 pm

Tour the Maine Indian Gallery and related exhibits

Hudson Museum, Collins Center for the Arts

3:00-4:30 pm

**Opening Remarks** 

Bodwell Lounge, Collins Center for the Arts

**Emily A. Haddad**, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, University of Maine

#### Panel #1: Maine Indians and the Maine State Constitution

Panelists:

John Dieffenbacher-Krall, Episcopal Committee on Indian Relations James Francis, Director, Penobscot Nation Cultural and Historic Preservation Department

**Donna Loring**, LHD, Penobscot Tribal Elder, Senior Advisor to the Governor on Tribal Affairs

**Darren Ranco**, Chair and Panelist, Anthropology and Native American Programs, University of Maine

4:30-5:30 pm

**Pre-Concert Reception** 

Miller's Café, Collins Center for the Arts

5:30-6:45 pm

Crosscurrents: The DaPonte String Quartet Explores the Mixed Musics of Early Maine

Minsky Recital Hall, Class of 1944 Hall (adjacent to the Collins Center for the Arts)

Tickets: \$15, at the Collins Center for the Arts box office or online at: www.collinscenterforthearts.com/event/daponte

## Day 2 - Friday, May 31

8:00 am

Coffee and Light Pastries

Wells Conference Center

8:30-10:00 am

Panel #2: The Maine-Missouri Crisis and the Politics of Slavery

Wells Conference Center

Welcome:

Joan Ferrini-Mundy, President of the University of Maine

Panelists:

Mary T. Freeman, University of Maine

Matthew Mason, Brigham Young University

Diane Mutti Burke, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Patrick Rael, Chair, Bowdoin College

10:00-10:30 am — **Break** 

10:30 am-12:00 pm

Panel #3: Circulating Images: The Production, Distribution and Reception of Visual Culture During the Statehood Era

Wells Conference Center

Panelists:

Bernard Fishman, Maine State Museum

Martha McNamara, Wellesley College

Kevin Murphy, Vanderbilt University

Justin Wolff, University of Maine

Frank Goodyear, Chair, Bowdoin College Museum of Art

12:00-1:00 pm — Lunch at Wells Conference Center

1:30-3:00 pm

Panel #4: The Madawaska Territory and the Aftermath of Statehood Bodwell Lounge, Collins Center for the Arts

Panelists:

Béatrice Craig, University of Ottawa

Lisa Lavoie, independent scholar, University of Maine at Fort Kent

Elizabeth Mancke, University of New Brunswick

Lise Pelletier, Chair and Panelist, University of Maine at Fort Kent

2:30-4:30 pm

Maine History Festival and Reception

Collins Center for the Arts

Co-hosted by the Osher Map Library at the University of Southern Maine and the Maine Folklife Center at the University of Maine in partnership with National History Day in Maine and the Maine Historical Society.

5:00 pm

**Keynote Event** 

Room 100, D.P. Corbett Hall

Opening Remarks:

**Jeffrey Hecker**, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost, University of Maine

Maulian Dana, Tribal Ambassador, Penobscot Nation

Moderator:

Liam Riordan, Professor of History, University of Maine

Featured Speakers:

Alan Taylor, Thomas Jefferson Foundation Chair in American History, University of Virginia

Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, 300th Anniversary University Professor, emerita, Harvard University

Alan Taylor and Laurel Thatcher Ulrich are among the most distinguished historians specializing in early America today. Each has made Maine stories central to their work over many years, and they both published essays in *Maine in the Early Republic: From Revolution to Statehood* in 1988.

Maine-born and raised, Taylor's doctoral dissertation became the prize-winning Liberty Men and Great Proprietors: The Revolutionary Settlement on the Maine Frontier, 1760-1820 (1990). Many of his later publications have focused on frontier settlement and trans-national conflict, including William Cooper's Town: Power and Persuasion on the Frontier of the Early American Republic, which won the Pulitzer Prize for History in 1996, and The Internal Enemy: Slavery and War in Virginia, 1772-1832, which earned him a second Pulitzer Prize in 2014.

Ulrich's landmark Maine book, A Midwife's Tale: The Life of Martha Ballard, based on her diary, 1785-1812 (1990), won numerous awards, including the Pulitzer Prize for History in 1991. It was the subject of a 1997 film (with the same title) and has a terrific companion website: dohistory.org. People connected to Maine play notable roles in her Good Wives: Image and Reality in the Lives of Women in Northern New England 1650-1750 (1990), The Age of Homespun: Objects and Stories in the Creation of an American Myth (2001), and even in A House Full of Females: Plural Marriage and Women's Rights in Early Mormonism, 1835-1870 (2017).

Day 3 - Saturday, June 1

All events take place in Wells Conference Center

8:00 am — Continental Breakfast

8:30-10:00 am

Panel #5: The Maine Centennial in 1920: Commemoration and Remembrance through Photography

Panelists:

Kevin Johnson, Penobscot Marine Museum

Micah Pawling, University of Maine

Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr, Maine State Historian

Anne Collins Goodyear, Chair, Bowdoin College Museum of Art

10:00-10:30 am — Coffee Break

10:30 am-12:30 pm

Panel #6: Pine Tree Songscape: Historic Music of the Folk of Maine

Panelists:

Laura Artesani, University of Maine

Kristopher Paprocki, Pembroke, Charlotte & Perry Elementary Schools

Stephen N. Sanfilippo, Maine Maritime Academy, retired

James Moreira, Chair, University of Maine at Machias

12:30 pm — **Lunch** 

1:30-3:00 pm

Panel #7: Public Ownership vs. Private Rights: The Case of Maine's Disputed Public Lots

Panelists:

**Richard Barringer**, Maine Bureau of Public Lands and the Muskie School of Public Service, retired

**Lee Schepps**, former Assistant Attorney General of Maine and past director of the Bureau of Public Lands

Martin Wilk, Maine Attorney General's Office, retired

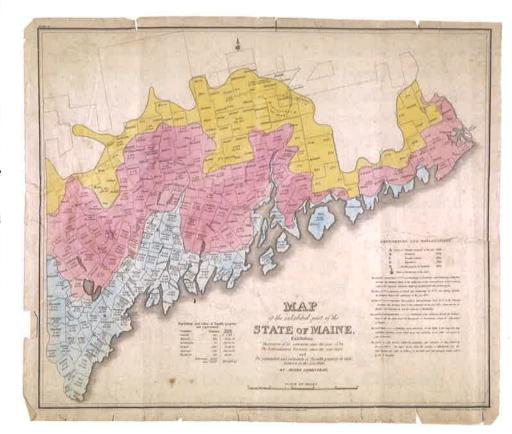
Thomas Urquhart, Chair, Maine Audubon Society, retired

3:00-4:00 pm — Coffee and Light Snack

4:00 pm

Concert by the Bangor Band

The Bangor Band had its inaugural performance in 1859 and is one of the oldest continuously operating community bands in the U.S.



Moses Greenleaf's revealing interpretive map highlights three waves of settlement in the District of Maine.

- Blue records the extent of English-speakers during the American Revolution.
- Pink shows their expansion by the presidential election of Jefferson in 1800.
- Yellow notes the still strongly coastal and southwestern presence of Anglo-American settlement by statehood in 1820.

French speakers in the Saint John Valley and Wabanaki people throughout their homelands were not identified in spite of their presence and importance.

Source: Moses Greenleaf, *Map of the Inhabited Part of the State of Maine* (1829), courtesy of the Osher Map Library, University of Southern Maine.



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