

RE-MEMBERING NATIVE AMERICA

Archives, Bodies, and Communities

Friday, February 15, 2013 | 9:30 am - 4:00 pm
Alexander Library, Teleconference Lecture Hall
169 College Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ | Free and open to the public



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SYMPOSIUM DESCRIPTION

What does it mean to be Indian?

How does one survive, resist, and thrive?

What does indigenous peoplehood look like in the face of settler colonialism?

Native peoples in North America have been interrogating and re-interrogating these questions for over five hundred years, producing writing and art, gestures, and movements that document and perform their responses.

This interdisciplinary symposium seeks to witness and examine these responses. National scholars will present their latest work, paying particular attention to questions of the nature of archives, repertoires of gender and sexuality, and the dynamic valences of community.

PROGRAM

9:30 am Registration and Breakfast

10:00 am Welcome
CAROLINE WIGGINTON Rutgers University

10:10 am Opening Remarks
CLARA SUE KIDWELL (White Earth Chippewa, Choctaw) Bacone College
Introduced by **ALISON R. BERNSTEIN** Rutgers University

10:45 am **Panel I: Early Native Textualities**

SARAH RIVETT Princeton University
“Consecrating Native America: The Transformation of Indigenous Worlds during the Seven Years’ War”

PHILLIP ROUND University of Iowa
“To take away the dust from your ears’: Re-Membering the Aural in Native Textuality”

Moderator and Commentator: **CAMILLA TOWNSEND** Rutgers University

12:15 pm Lunch Break (on your own)

1:15 pm **Panel II: Revisioning Native Community through Gender and Sexuality**

MISHUANA GOEMAN (Tonawanda Seneca) University of California at Los Angeles
“She can map herself like a country she discovers’: Gendered Geographies and Narrative Markings in Native Women’s Literature”

SHARI HUHDORF (Yup’ik) University of California at Berkeley
“Picture Violence: The Politics of Visuality in the Art of Rebecca Belmore and Louise Erdrich”

Moderator and Commentator: **CAROLINE WIGGINTON** Rutgers University

2:45 pm Concluding Remarks and Coffee Reception