STATE OF THE FIELD CONFERENCE

African American Urban History: Past & Present

OCTOBER 2-4, 2015

FRIDAY, OCT. 2

4:00-5:00PM
Registration and Reception
Conan Room, Cohon University Center

5:00-5:30PM
Opening Remarks
McConomy Auditorium, Cohon University Center

5:30-6:30PM
Keynote Address: Earl Lewis, President, A. W. Mellon Foundation, New York, NY
“Moving Through and Beyond the Academy: From Norfolk to New York”

SATURDAY, OCT. 3

Singleton Room, Roberts Hall
[Continental Breakfast]

9:00-10:30AM
Session I: Rethinking the Relationship between Cities and Social Justice in the 21st Century
Moderator: Nico Slate, Associate Professor, Carnegie Mellon University
Guest Speaker: Carol Anderson, Associate Professor, Emory University
“When the Levees Broke: A History of Un-Civil Rights in America”

10:45AM-12:45PM
Session II: Race, Class, and Early American Cities
Chair: Leslie Harris, Associate Professor, Emory University
Presenters:
Michael Gomez, Professor, New York University, “Urban Atlantic World”
Emma Hart, Lecturer, University of St. Andrews, “Charleston”
Leslie Alexander, Associate Professor, Ohio State University, “New York City”
[Lunch]

2:00-3:30PM
Session III: Emancipation, the Great Migration, Emergence of the Black Metropolis
Chair: Clarence Lang, Associate Professor, University of Kansas
Presenters:
Brian Kelly, Reader in U.S. History, Queen’s University, “Charleston”
Millington Bergeson Lockwood, Community Liaison Office Coordinator, US Embassy, Malawi, “Boston”
Davarian Baldwin, Distinguished Professor, Trinity College, “Chicago”

3:45-5:00PM
Session IV: Modern Freedom Struggle, Deindustrialization, and New Politics
Chair: Rhonda Williams, Associate Professor, Case Western Reserve University
Presenters:
Marcus A. Hunter, Assistant Professor, University of California-Los Angeles, “Philadelphia”
Donna Murch, Associate Professor, State University of New Jersey, Rutgers, “Los Angeles”
Kwame Holmes, Assistant Professor, University of Colorado, “Washington, D.C.”

SUNDAY, OCT. 4

Hilton Garden Inn University Place
[Continental Breakfast]

9:00-10:30AM
Remembering African American Pittsburgh: Oral History Project
Moderator: Ralph Proctor, Professor, Community College of Allegheny County
Guest Presenter: Benjamin Houston, Senior Lecturer, Newcastle University
“Race in the Rust Belt: Black Pittsburgh and Narratives of Race Relations in the Deindustrialising Metropolis”

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