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We also wish to express our sincere gratitude to other sponsors who contributed financially to REP VIII and made possible the Reception and Conference meals for our guests. In particular, we thank Dr. and Mrs. Peter T. Bronsky for their generous sponsorship of the Wednesday Reception.

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3. Texas State University (2006)
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Chairs should meet with the session presenters a few minutes prior to the start of each session and remind them of the rules and the use of the color-coded time cards. Chairs should let presenters know that the time constraints will be strictly enforced, in fairness to all presenters. This means that presenters from the previous session MUST vacate the room at the conclusion of the allotted time.

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**Wednesday 3:30 - 5:10 PM**

**SESSION 001**  
**Issues of Race, Space, and Education**  
(Dix)

**Chair: Jay Lee**, Kent State University

3:30 **Seth N. Asumah**, SUNY - Cortland  
“Race and Diversity Leadership in Predominantly White Institutions: Rethinking Microaggressions”

3:47 **José R. Diaz-Garayúa**, University of California, Stanislaus  
“Diversity of Geography Departments in the US”

4:04 **Perry Carter**, Texas Tech University  
“Re-embodying the Enslaved: Southern Louisiana’s Whitney Plantation Museum”

4:21 **Jim Forrest**, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia  
“Proficiency with English and Linguistic Shift: A 1st through 3rd Generations Analysis of English Language Acquisition and Minority Language Retention among Immigrants to Australia”

4:38 **Charlie Haifeng Zhang**, University of Louisville  
“Spatial Analysis of Racial Achievement Gap in Metropolitan Public Schools”

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**SESSION 002**  
**Urban and Economic Issues**  
(Kent)

**Chair: Wei Song**, University of Louisville

3:30 **Sean M. Crotty**, Texas Christian University  
"The Red-Light Network: The Economic Geography of Erotic Massage Parlors in Houston, Texas"

3:47 **Mark Blumler**, Binghamton University  
"Ethnicity of the Forbes 400: An Update"

4:04 **Arwa Altaher** and **Selima Sultana**, University of North Carolina - Greensboro  
"Residential Location Patterns of Immigrants in the 21st Century: Evidence from the Atlanta MSA"
4:21 Adam J. Mathews, Oklahoma State University and Matthew T. Patton, University of Nebraska-Omaha
"Content Presented by American Microbreweries: A Reflection of Whiteness?"

4:38 David Wilson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
"Chicago's New Gentrification Frontier: Blues Club Commodification and the Politics of Resistance"

**Session 003**
**African Issues**
(McGilvrey)

Chair: Ian E.A. Yeboah, Miami University

3:30 Pratyusha Basu, University of Texas at El Paso
"Ethnic Identity and Development in Kenya"

3:47 Sunday Layi Oladipupo, Adekunle Ajasin University
"Gay-Marriage and African Culture: A Philosophical Balance"

4:04 Timothy Scarnecchia, Kent State University
"Race and Class in Harare, Zimbabwe, 1980-2005"

4:21 Darius Scott, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
"No Place Wholly Liberatory: Black Life along Back Ways"

**Session 004**
**Panel**
**Support Systems for Female Faculty and Doctoral Students in Academia: Sharing Experiences**
(West #1)

Organizers: Devona F. Pierre and Fenda A. Akiwumi, University of South Florida and Nemata Blyden, George Washington University

Devona F. Pierre, University of South Florida
Fenda A. Akiwumi, University of South Florida
Nemata Blyden, George Washington University
Jose Fernandez, University of South Florida
Session 005
Panel
From Protest to Policy Making:
A Socio-historical Analysis of Social Unrest from 1967-1973 (East #2)

Organizer: Richard Thomas, Texas Christian University

Paul Fucile, Texas Christian University
Christian Lueck, Texas Christian University
Hue Woodson, University of North Texas
Gerald Parks, Independent Researcher
Richard Thomas, Texas Christian University
Welcome Reception
Wednesday 7:00 - 10:30 PM
(Kent State Hotel Ballroom)

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by the
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John W. Frazier
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and
David H. Kaplan
Professor, Kent State University

Meet and Greet . . . See old friends and meet new ones.

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Wednesday: Page 16
Thursday 8:00 - 9:45 AM

SESSION 101
PANEL
HONORING FLORENCE MARGAI
(Dix Room)

Chairs: Sue Grady, Michigan State University and
Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas

Fenda A. Akiwumi, University of South Florida
Mattie Bene, Michigan State University
Sue Grady, Michigan State University
Ibipo Johnston-Anumonwo, SUNY - Cortland
Issac Luginaah, Western University

SESSION 102
SETTLEMENT PATTERNS
(Kent)

Chair: Jay Newberry, Binghamton University

8:00 James Allen and Eugene Turner, California State University, Northridge
“The Changing Ethnic Quilt of Southern California”

8:17 John R. Logan and Benjamin Bellman, Brown University
“Before The Philadelphia Negro: Residential Segregation in a Nineteenth Century Northern City”

8:34 Ana Sanchez, University of Maryland and
Jorge Zambrana, Chengbin Deng, and John W. Frazier, Binghamton University
“Immigrant Settlement Patterns in Puerto Rico in the 21st Century”

8:51 Fabian Terbeck, University of Connecticut
“Polarization and Diversification: Trajectories of Ethnic Neighborhoods in Boston between 1990 and 2010”

9:08 Huiyu Lin, Kent State University
“The Association Between Population and Land Use - Land Cover Change in a Shrinking Post-Industrial Area: A Case Study of Binghamton, NY”
**SESSION 103**

**SEEKING IDENTITY IN ETHNIC PLACES**

*(McGilvrey)*

**Chair:** Charlie Haifeng Zhang, University of Louisville

**8:00** Velvet Nelson, Sam Houston State University
“Engaging with Slavery at the Sam Houston Memorial Museum”

**8:17** Priscilla McCutcheon, University of Louisville
“‘Ain’t I a Women?’: Black Radical Feminism and Womanhood through Fannie Lou Hamer’s Freedom Farms”

**8:34** Heike Alberts, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
“Learning at Authentic Sites Abroad”

**8:51** Lijun Zhou, Northeast Normal University, Changchun, China and Wei Song, University of Louisville
“Study on the Spatial Structure and the Development of Domestic Tourist Market in Jilin Province”

**9:08** Emily Fekete, Oklahoma State University
“Après-ski: The Search for a “Locally” Ethnic Ski Culture”

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**SESSION 104**

**LEGAL ISSUES**

*(West #1)*

**Chair:** Parama Roy, Binghamton University

**8:00** Jason Kehrberg, Muskingum University
“Authoritarianism and the Partisan Polarization of Gay Rights and Illegal Immigration”

**8:17** Micheline van Riemsdijk, University of Tennessee
“Legal Framework for Au Pairs in Norway: Cultural Exchange or Labor Migration?”

**8:34** Joshua Inwood, Penn State University
“Race, Law and the Gun: Settler Colonialism, Legal Reasoning and the Logics of Genocide in Legal Reasoning on the US Gun Rights Debate”

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Thursday: Page 18
8:51 Glynis Christine, Texas State University
“Help when it’s Needed Most: Student Emergency Services”

9:08 Margarita Arellano and Kathryn Weiser, Texas State University
“Help when it’s Needed Most: Student Emergency Services”

**SESSION 105**
**Diasporic Communities**
(East #2)

Chair: Edris Montalvo, Cameron University

8:00 Wan Yu, Binghamton University
“Asian Migrations to the United States”

8:17 Donghee Koh, University of Tennessee
“Dispersion and Reconcentration of Koreans in the Greater Los Angeles Area”

8:34 Shaolu Yu, Rhodes College
“Between Black and White-The Racial Triangulation of Chinese in the Mississippi Delta”

8:51 Louie Kiskowski, Kent State University
“Arab Community in Dearborn”

9:08 Mecke Nagel, SUC-Cortland, “Revisiting Prisons as Diasporic Sites"

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**COFFEE BREAK**

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Thursday 10:00 - 11:45 AM

**SESSION 201**
**Panel: Harold Rose and His Times**
(Dix)

Chair: Audrey Kobayashi, Queens University
Joe T. Darden, Michigan State University
James Tyner, Kent State University
Anne Bonds, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
Audrey Kobayashi, Queens University

Thursday: Page 19
SESSION 202  
INTERNATIONAL ETHNICITY  
(Kent)

Chair: Milton E. Harvey, Kent State University

10:00 Thando Gwebu, Independent Scholar  
“Challenges to Inclusive Sustainable Development in Botswana: The Case of the Basarwa Minority Ethnic Group”

10:17 Weronika Kusek, Northern Michigan University  
“Returning Home with New Experiences: Poznan, Poland and the Study of How Returning Migrants Influence Place”

10:34 Nayoung Jo, University of Maryland, College Park  
“Have the Local People Become Invisible? A Case Study of a Military Installation on Jeju Island, South Korea”

10:51 Alan P. Marcus, Towson University  
“Race and Ethnicity in Brazil: Sex, Color, and Geography”

11:08 Paporn Thebpanya, Towson University  
“Visualizing Dialect Variation on a #D Interpolated Map: A Case Study of Chiang Mai, Thailand”

SESSION 203  
GLOBAL PANDEMICS:  
HONORING FLORENCE MARGAI’S CONTRIBUTION TO HEALTH RESEARCH IN GEOGRAPHY  
(McGilvrey)

Chairs: Sue Grady, Michigan State University and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas

10:00 Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas and Jonathan Mayer, University of Washington  
“The Challenge of HIV/TB Co-infection in African Countries”

10:17 Mattie Bene, Michigan State University  
“HIV and ARV and PMTCT uptake in Botswana”

Thursday: Page 20
10:34 Adobea Yaa Owusu, Eric Y. Tenkorang and Amos Laar, University of Ghana, Legon
“Managing Stigma by HIV+ Persons in Ghana’s Most HIV Concentrated District: Contexts and Strategies”

10:51 Ezekiel Kalipeni, and Diana Grigsby-Toussaint, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and Imelda K. Moise, University of Miami, Florida
“Progress Towards Combating the HIV/AIDS Pandemic in Africa”

11:08 Jonathan Mayer, University of Washington and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas
“International Migration, Airline Travel Patterns and Global Control of Tuberculosis”

**Session 204**
**Politics and Ethnicity**
(West #1)

Chair: Heike Alberts, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

10:00 Felix Kumah-Abiwu, Kent State University
“Racial Identity and Social Movements of the 1960s: Any Lessons for a New Social Movement?”

10:17 Max Krochmal, Texas Christian University
“Blue Texas: The Making of a Multiracial Democratic Coalition in the Civil Rights Era”

10:34 Amoaba Gooden, Kent State University
“African Canadian Leadership: Pan-Africanism, Transnationality, and Community Organizing”

10:51 Jennifer Devine, Texas State University
“Community Forest Concessionaires: Resisting Green Grabs and Producing Political Subjects in Guatemala”

11:08 S. Elizabeth Bird, University of South Florida
“Tainted Bloodline? Consequences of Place-Based Indigenous Identity in Contemporary Nigeria”
Session 205
Immigrant Receptivity
(East #2)

Chair: Qiusheng Wu, Binghamton University

10:00 Kefa M. Otiso, Bowling Green State University
“Welcome Toledo-Lucas County (TLC) and NW Ohio’s Quest for the Immigrant Pie”

10:17 James Chaney, Middle Tennessee State University
“Obstacles to Integration: Examining the Post-Resettlement Challenges of Somali Refugees in Nashville, Tennessee”

10:34 Eugene Tettey-Fio, Binghamton University
“Welcoming Cities: An Analysis of Two Midwestern Cities, Columbus, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana”

10:51 Xi Huang and Cathy Yang Liu, Georgia State University
“Welcoming Cities: A New Wave of Immigrant Policies at the Local Government Level”

11:08 Nisreen Yamany, Kent State University
“Borders and Liminality in Season of Migration to the North”

Thursday 11:45 AM - 1:45 PM

LUNCH

Sponsored by: Kent State University
Box Lunch - Ticket is required to pick up lunch in the Lobby

Thursday: Page 22
Thursday 1:45 - 3:35 PM

**SESSION 301**  
US Census  
(Dix)

**Chair:** Michael Ratcliffe, US Census Bureau

1:45 **Michael Ratcliffe**, US Census Bureau  
“Visibility and Invisibility in Census Geography”

2:02 **Laquitta Walker** and **Thomas Gryn**, US Census Bureau  
“US Population Trends by Race and Hispanic Origin”

2:19 **Joshua Coutts**, US Census Bureau  
“Geographic Programs for the 2020 Census and Beyond”

2:36 **Kevin Heard**, Binghamton University  
“Leveraging the Web of Easy to Use Socio-Demographic Data”

**SESSION 302**  
Health Methodologies and Advances  
(Kent)

**Chairs:** Diana Grigsby-Toussaint, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign and **Joseph R. Oppong**, University of North Texas

1:45 **Chetan Tiwari** and **Joseph R. Oppong**, University of North Texas  
“Adjusting Disease Maps for Population Differences in Race/Ethnicity: A Case Study of HIV/AIDS in Dallas, Texas”

2:02 **Warankana Ruckthongsook**, **Joseph R. Oppong** and **Chetan Tiwari**, University of North Texas  

2:19 **Keumseok Peter Koh**, Michigan State University  
“Explained and Unexplained Racial and Regional Inequality in Obesity Prevalence in the United States”

2:36 **Karen D. Johnson-Webb**, Bowling Green State University  
“Structural Racism, Maternal Stress and Infant Mortality in Ohio”
2:53 Isaac Luginaah, Western University
“Regional Variations, Timing and Utilization of Antenatal Care Services in Liberia: Understanding the Before-Ebola Epidemic Context”

**Session 303**
**Mexican Migration**
(McGilvrey)

Chair: Ana I. Sanchez-Rivera, University of Maryland

1:45 Sarah Blue, Texas State University
“Transnational Family Reunification: Central American and Mexican Youth Migration to the United States”

2:02 Rebecca M. Torres, University of Texas- Austin
“Everyday State Practices of Transnational Migration Control: Unaccompanied Children along the US/Mexico Border”

2:19 Emily Skop, University of Colorado-Colorado Springs
“Sugar Beet Agriculture and Mexican Migration to Colorado: 1920 - 1940”

2:36 Scott Warren, Arizona State University
“Cultural Crossroads in a Deserted Wilderness: The Border Security Frontier in Arizona’s Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument”

2:53 Adriana E. Martinez, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
“Fences on the Frontera: Re-Examining the Environmental and Social Impacts of the US-Mexico Border Fence”

**Session 304**
**Race, Ethnicity, and (In)Justice**
(West #1)

Chair: Eugene Tettey-Fio, Binghamton University

1:45 Raymond R Swisher, Bowling Green State University
“Mass Incarceration and Neighborhood Attainments across the Life Course”

2:02 Jay L. Newberry, Binghamton University
“Living in a Police State: The Perils of Stop-And-Frisk”

2:19 Joshua Inwood, Penn State University
“The Murder of Tamir Rice and the Connection to White Supremacy”

Thursday: Page 24
2:36 Deondre Smiles, The Ohio State University
“. . . to the Grave . . . ‘- Biopolitics, Governmentality and Indigenous Counter-Conduct”

2:53 Jenna M. Loyd and Anne Bonds, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee
“Transforming Justice: Challenging Terms of Counter-Insurgency in Milwaukee”

SESSION 305
CRIME AND HEALTH  
(East #2)

Chair: Lawrence Estaville, Texas State University

1:45 Kanika Verma and Vivek Tripathi, Texas Christian University
“Media Portrayal of Secular Nationalism in India”

2:02 Babacar M’baye, Kent State University
“The Fallacies of Post-Racialism: Dismantling Institutional and Structural Inequalities through Counterstories”

2:19 Ezra J. Zeitler, University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire
“Indigenous Team Name, Mascot, Imagery, and Tradition in Ohio High Schools”

2:36 Christabel Devadoss, West Virginia University
and Gordon Cromley, Kent State University
“Terrorism, Emotions, and Militarization: A Comparison of Films in Hollywood and Bollywood”

2:53 Norah F. Henry and Brendan McGovern, Binghamton University
“Ethnic Tension, Place, and Social Media”

Thursday 3:45 - 5:30 PM

SESSION 401
SPATIAL ISSUES: CRIME, HEALTH, AND ACCESSIBILITY  
(Dix)

Chair: Carlos Teixeira, University of British Columbia

3:45 Wei Song, University of Louisville
“Violent Crimes and Neighborhood Characteristics in the City of Changchun, China”
4:02 Adobea Yaa Owusu, Martin Oteng-Ababio, and George Owusu, Institute of Statistical, Social & Economic Research (ISSER), University of Ghana
“Perceptions on the Criminal Justice System of Ghana by Victims of Urban Crime in Ghana’s Four Largest Cities”

4:19 Nathaniel Dede-Bamfo and Ohenewaa Asiedu Okyere, Texas State University

4:36 Fahui Wang, Louisiana State University
"Racial Disparity in Accessibility of Services: Measures, Impacts and Optimization"

4:53 Naomi W. Lazarus, Binghamton University
"Sri Lanka’s Fight Against the Dengue Epidemic: A Place-based Assessment of Vulnerability"

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**Session 402**

**Environmental Crises**

(Kent)

Chair: José R. Diaz-Garayúa, University of California-Stanislaus

3:45 David Padgett, University of Tennessee
“Race, Place, and Climate Justice”

4:02 Michael Allen, Old Dominion University
“The Voiceless Consequences of Climate Change”

4:19 Mark A. Deka, Texas State University
“The Geography of Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever: Identifying Natural Reservoirs in Southwestern Tajikistan”

4:36 Joshua Wayland, University of Maryland, College Park
“Black Sand and the Red Court: The Anatomy of a Mining Conflict in the Northern Philippines”

4:53 Amber Hill, Kent State University
“Community Ecology: Salmon, People, and Place”
Session 403
Poster Session #1
(McGivrey)

Chair: Kanika Verma, Texas Christian University

Mohammed Rabiu Abubakari, Binghamton University
“Ethnic Conflict and Its Impact on Basic Education in Africa: The Case of Bawku Municipality in Ghana”

Kwadwo Boakye and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas
“Improving Emergency Fire Response in a Ghanaian City”

Jorge Zambrana, Binghamton University
“Profiling the At-Risk Populations in Puerto Rico’s Floodplains”

Ayodeji Iyanda and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas
“The Unmet Needs of Maternal Health Care In Ghana”

Michelle Ritchie, Binghamton University
“Moving towards a More Socially Just Food System”

Frank Tolbert, Binghamton University
“Asthma Prevalence in Black and Latino Communities in the Bronx, New York”

Shadae Dixon, Texas State University
"Emergency Room Closures and Ethnic Group Locations in Texas"

Session 404
Educational Issues
(West #1)

Chair: Susan Hume, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

3:45 Miguel de Oliver, University of Texas at San Antonio

4:02 Carlos J Guilbe López, University of Puerto Rico
“Operación Manos A La Obra: A Key to Development or Dependency in Puerto Rico?”

Thursday: Page 27
4:19 Richard Jones, University of Texas - San Antonio
“The Truncated Transition to Adulthood of Mexican-Born Adolescents in the US”

4:36 Lawrence Estaville, Texas State University and
Edris Montalvo, Cameron University
"Geospatial Analysis of Latino Education in the Texas Panhandle”

4:53 Heather Smith, Brisa Urquieta Hernandez and Johanna Claire Schuch, University of North Carolina at Charlotte
"Community Engaged Scholarship: Working ‘with’ Latinos in a New Gateway to Ensure Success of Settlement, Adjustment and Integration"

Session 405
Water Issues
(East #2)

Chair: Joseph Zume, Shippensburg State University

3:45 Hilary Hungerford, Utah Valley University
“Water, American Indians, and the Arid American West: A Case of Utah”

4:02 Graham A. Tobin, University of South Florida, Burrell E. Montz, East Carolina University, and Nicole S. Hutton, Old Dominion University
“Levees and Mitigation: Old Tools and New Vulnerabilities”

4:19 Tom Ptak, University of Oregon
“Implications of Small Hydropower Development on Social Circumstances and ‘Everyday Life’ for Ethnic Minorities in China's Nu River Valley”

4:36 Sarah Smiley, Kent State University and Hilary Hungerford, Utah Valley University
“Displacement, Water Access, and Urban Planning in Dakar”

4:53 Francis Koti, University of North Alabama
"Thriving in Dysfunction: Understanding the Water Market in Peri-Urban Towns in East Africa Using Participatory GIS"
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**Friday 8:00 - 9:45 AM**

**SESSION 501**

**Panel:**

**Scholarship, Mentorship, Legacy - Celebrating the Enduring Impact of Susan Hardwick’s Life and Work**

*(Dix)*

**Chairs:** Emily Skop, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs and Heather Smith, UNC - Charlotte

Susan Hume, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
Tom Ptak, University of Oregon
Elizabeth Chacko, The George Washington University
Wei Li, Arizona State University

**SESSION 502**

**Poster Session #2**

*(Kent)*

**Chair:** Sean M. Crotty, Texas Christian University

Carney Burns, Binghamton University
“Urban Renewal, Displacement and New Landscapes: The Case of University City, Philadelphia”

Luis R. Ortíz Sánchez, State University of New York - Binghamton
“Migration Patterns of Dominican in the Caribbean”

Sheldon Paramore, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology

David Rodriguez, Rutgers University
“The Negative Externality of the Tourism Industry on the Puerto Rican Economy”

Joseph Martin Stevenson, Ted Scholz and Adriana Kleiman, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology
“Bridges of Justice Between School and College: The Art, Science, and Beauty of Mental Health”
Shaloma Wagstaffe, Binghamton University
“The Potential Role of Green Infrastructure in Reducing Urban Food Deserts in Minority Neighborhoods”

Hannah Scarazzo, Youngstown State University
“Uncovering Prehistoric Evidence of the Lucayan People: Excavations at the Fresh Lake Site on San Salvador Island”

Jen Mapes, Kent State University
“Visualizing Race and Ethnicity in American Small Towns”

Session 503
Health - Social and Spatial Issues (McGilvrey)

Chairs: Sue Grady, Michigan State University and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas

8:00 Yingru Li, University of Central Florida
“Social Inequalities of Food Environments and Childhood Obesity”

8:17 Tonny J. Oyana, University of Tennessee
“Increasing Use of Library Resources to Improve Health Decisions in Memphis, TN”

8:34 Rebecca L. Lee, Akron General Hospital, Lin J. Lee, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, and Jay Lee, Kent State University
“Racial, Socioeconomic, and Geographical Disparity of Pregnancy Obesity in Summit County, Ohio”

8:51 Yanqing Xu, University of Toledo
“Disparities of Spatial Accessibility of NCI Cancer Center in the US”

9:08 Nidia Moran Canales, The Chicago School of Professional Psychology
“Decolonizing Mental Health”

Friday: Page 30
Session 504
Narratives of Place
(West #1)

Chair: Scott Anderson, SUNY - Cortland

8:00 Jordan Brasher, University of Tennessee
“Place, Intertextuality, and Oklahoma’s Black Promise Land”

8:17 Martha E. Geores, University of Maryland
“Jokes and Rural Ethnicity”

8:34 Donald E. Colley III, San Diego State University
“Black, Blue and Broken: Narratives on Why #BlueLivesMatter More than #BlackLivesMatter”

8:51 Alexander Stewart, University of California, Berkeley
“Flexible Space and Cross-Cultural Encounter in Southern California’s Indoor Swap Meets”

9:08 Ana I. Sanchez-Rivera, University of Maryland
“The Role of Government in the Creation of Places and Racial Identification”

Session 505
Poverty and Discrimination
(East #2)

Chair: James Tyner, Kent State University

8:00 Deirdre Oakley and Jim Fraser, Georgia State University and Vanderbilt University
“Mapping Neighborhoods of Opportunity for Low Income Households in an Era of Affordable Housing Crises: Atlanta and Nashville”

8:17 Steven R. Holloway, University of Georgia, Mark Ellis, University of Washington, Richard Wright, Dartmouth College, and Gemma Catney, University of Liverpool
“Segregated Diversity and the Changing Urban Geography of Concentrated Poverty”

8:34 Jasmon Bailey, University of South Florida
“Race, Gender, and Partner Choice: How Your PLACE in the Social Structure Relates to Discrimination”

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8:51 Michael D. Webb, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
“Can Subsidized Housing Reduce Racial Segregation? The Case of the Section 8 Program in Charlotte”

9:08 Andria Blackwood, Kent State University
"Examining the Effects of Federal Urban Policy Through Neighborhood Socioeconomic Status and Self-Efficacy"

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COFFEE BREAK
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Friday 10:00 - 11:45 AM

SESSION 601
Panel: Spatial Video and Spatial Geo-Narratives
(Dix)

Chair: Andrew Curtis, Kent State University

10:00 Andrew Curtis, Kent State University
“Spatial Video and Spatial Geo-Narratives – Mapping for Challenging and Ephemeral Landscapes”

10:17 Andrew Curtis, Kent State University
“Mapping and Contextualizing Violence in Skid Row, Los Angeles”

10:34 Laura Schuch, Kent State University and Joel Davidson, Northeast Ohio Medical University
“Reducing Risk to Vulnerable Populations: A Geographical Approach to Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention”

10:51 John W. Frazier, Lucuis Willis, John Ponstingel, and Brendan McGovern, Binghamton University
“Spatial Video and Geo-Narratives in Teaching and Research: Examples from the Northeast US”

11:08 Carlos Guilbe, University of Puerto Rico, Kevin Heard and Brendan McGovern, Binghamton University
“The 1950 Puerto Rican Revolution: Spatial Video and Geo-Narratives”

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Session 602
Educational Diversity
(Kent)

Chair: Orlando Taylor, Fielding University

10:00 Solange Muñoz, University of Tennessee
“A Look Back at 1989: How a High School Program to Promote Diversity Marked a Generation”

10:17 Joseph Wood, University of Baltimore
“Teaching Divided Baltimore”

10:34 Elizabeth Chacko and Gloriana Sojo, George Washington University
“Spaces of Integration: International Students in a Global City”

10:51 Henrietta Blyden, New York City Schools
“Lacrosse Comes to Harlem: How Middle School Children in Some Harlem Schools are Being Exposed to Opportunities through the Game of Lacrosse”

11:08 Alia Arafeh, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee
“The Perceptions of Saudi Female International Students Concerning Student Support Services at a Midwest Urban University”

Session 603
Health: Spatial Vulnerability
(McGilvrey)

Chairs: Sue Grady, Michigan State University and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas

10:00 Katherine A. Lester and Joseph R. Oppong, University of North Texas
“Exploring Race and Suicide in the United States in the 21st Century”

10:17 Libbey Kutch and Sue Grady, Michigan State University
“The Relationship between UV-B Radiation, Vitamin D, and the Racial Disparities in Pregnancy-Related Hypertensive Disorders in Michigan”

10:34 Susan Roxburgh, Kent State University
“Depressive Symptoms and Exposure to Chronic Racial Discrimination among African Americans”

Friday: Page 33
10:51 Sue Grady and Heather Moody, Michigan State University
“Environmental Injustice and Maternal and Child Health: The Flint Water Crisis”

11:08 Jayajit Chakraborty, Timothy W. Collins, and Sara E. Grineski, University of Texas at El Paso
“Environmental Injustice and Hispanic Heterogeneity: A Household-Level Analysis of Vehicular Air Pollutants in Miami, FL”

Session 604
Ethnicity and Identity
(West #1)

Chair: Sarah Smiley, Kent State University

10:00 Ann Evans Larimore, University of Michigan
“The Growth of ‘American White Ethnicity’ from Racial Class to Ethnic Group”

10:17 Ibipo Johnston-Anumonwo, State University of New York at Cortland
“The Significance of Gender, Race and Ethnicity in the Experiences of Eritrean Migrants”

10:34 Brenda Ortiz-Loyola, University of California - Stanislaus
“Redefining the Nation: Race, Ethnicity, and Identity in Marcio Veloz Maggiolo’s La Vida no Tiene Nombre”

10:51 Anuj Gurung, Kent State University
"The Rise and Fall of Madhesi Identity: Simmering Ethnic Tensions in Nepal"

11:08 Rebecca Sheehan, Oklahoma State University
“Intersectionality, Authenticity, and New Orleanian Identity: The Case of Post-Katrina Marching Krewes”
Session 605
Housing Issues
(East #2)

Chair: Martha E Geores, University of Maryland

10:00 Carlos Teixeira, University of British Columbia and Julie Drolet, University of Calgary
“Settlement and Housing Experiences of Recent Immigrants in Small- and Mid-sized Cities in the Interior of British Columbia (Canada)”

10:17 Daniel J. Hammel, University of Toledo and Isabelle Nilsson, University of North Carolina – Charlotte
“Race, Lending and the New Redlining”

10:34 Christine W. Mathenge, Austin Peay State University
“Beyond Gendered Property Rights”

10:51 Timothy J. Owens, Kent State University
“Assimilation and Exclusion: Settlement Houses and Redlining as Instruments of Class and Ethnic Social Control”

11:08 Selima Sultana and Arwa Alataher, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
“To Dream the American Dream: Decade of Housing Construction and Suburbanization Trend of Immigrant Populations in the Atlanta MSA”
Friday 12:00 - 1:45 PM

LUNCHEON
(Kent State Student Center Ballroom)

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Clarence Bozeman
(former driver for MLK)
"Reflections on Martin Luther King Jr."

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Strip Steak, Crisp Tobacco Onions, Vegetable Du Jour, Parmesan-Garlic Potatoes, Salad of Mixed Greens with Dressings to Pass, Rolls and Butter

Beverages
Coffee, Decaf. Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea, Milk

Dessert
Strawberry/Chocolate Layer Cakes
Friday 2:00 - 3:40 PM

Session 701
Race, Gender, and Tourism Geographies
(Dix)

2:00 Chair: Derek H. Alderman, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2:17 Jeffery R. Finney and Amy E. Potter, Armstrong State University
“‘You’re Out of Your Place:’ The Racial Politics of Orange Crush on Tybee Island, Georgia”

2:34 E. Arnold Modlin, Jr., Norfolk State University
“Confronting the Spatial Problem of Talking about Slavery in the Master’s House”

2:51 Emma J Walcott-Wilson, University of Tennessee
“The Door is Wide Enough for Her Skirt: Women, Violence, and Memory on the Plantation”

3:08 Matthew Cook, Eastern Michigan University
“Unfinished Geographies: Women’s Roles in Shaping African-American Historical Counter Narratives”

3: 25 Christine MacKrell and Stephen Hanna, University of Mary Washington
“More Than Just Ghost Stories: Plantations, Hauntings, and the Trivialization of Dark Tourism Experiences”

Session 702
Ethnic Economies
(Kent)

Chair: Elizabeth Chacko, The George Washington University

2:00 Lucia Lo, York University and Wei Li, Arizona State University
“Ethnic Institutions and Immigrant Integration: The Case of Chinese Banks”

2:17 Qingfang Wang, University of California Riverside
“Growth and Development of Ethnic Entrepreneurship: Examined from Mixed Research Methods”

2:34 Madhuri Sharma, University of Tennessee
2:51 Joanne Kilgour Dowdy, Kent State University
“Minding Her Own Business: A Business Woman from Trinidad and Tobago in the USA”

3:08 John A. Cross, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
“Diversity in Employment and Affiliation among Wisconsin’s Amish Communities”

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**Session 703**
**Ethnicity and Community**
(McGilvrey)

Chair: Joe T. Darden, Michigan State University

2:00 Ian E.A. Yeboah, Miami University
“Changing Basis of Associational Life in a Settled Immigrant Community: The Case of Ghanaian Immigrants in the Greater Cincinnati Area”

2:17 Susan Hume, Southern Illinois University
“Influences of Receiving Community Context on Bosnian Success in St. Louis, Missouri”

2:34 Paul N. McDaniel and Darlene Xiomara Rodriguez
Kennesaw State University
“Atlanta’s Immigrant Crossroads: Untapped Potential or Utilized Promise for Newcomer Integration”

2:51 Joanna Dreby, University at Albany-SUNY
“They are Mean because I Was Born in a Different Place than My Mom’: Children’s Experiences of Stigma in Different Types of Immigrant Neighborhoods”

3:08 Janni Sorensen, University of North Carolina- Charlotte
“Neighborhood-University Partnerships for Visioning, Organizing for and Implementing Community-led Change”
Session 704
International Ethnic Incorporation
(West #1)

Chair: Adam J. Mathews, Oklahoma State University

2:00 Marie Price, George Washington University
“Global Immigrant Gateways Revisited”

2:17 David H. Kaplan, Kent State University
“Muslim, Jewish, and Christian: Conflict and Accommodation in Paris”

2:34 Ernesto Castaneda, American University
“Housing and Space Dynamics for Immigrants and Minorities in the Parisian Metropolitan Area”

2:53 Parama Roy, Binghamton University
“Creating Integrated Green Spaces or Staged Diversity: Class, Race, and Ethnicity in Danish Urban Renewal”

3:08 Yining Tan, Arizona State University
“Separate Apart or Stay Together? An Analysis of How Taiwanese Migration Experience in Dongguan Impacted Their Household Mobility”

Session 705
Philosophy and Contributions
(East #2)

Chair: Carlos Guilbe, University of Puerto Rico

2:00 Stanley D. Brunn, University of Kentucky
“Contributions and Challenges to Race, Ethnicity and Place Studies”

2:17 James Tyner, Kent State University
“Huey Newton and Marxist Philosophy: A Geographic Perspective”

2:34 Rickie Sanders, Temple University
“First They Had the Bible and We Had the Land - Now They Have the Land and We Have the Bible: Neoliberalism, Gentrification and the New Urban Strategy”

2:51 Mark Rhodes, Kent State University
“Placing Paul Robeson in History: Understanding his Philosophical Framework”

Friday: Page 39
3:08 Anton Lewis, Valparaiso University  
“Why We Don’t See Race in Accounting”

Friday 3:50 - 5:15 PM

SESSION 801
PAPER-PARTER SESSION #3

(Dix)

Chair: Madhuri Sharma, University of Tennessee

Russell Aldave, Binghamton University  
“The Latinization of Middletown, New York”

Lauren Dent, University of North Texas  
“Disaster response, Acute Health Care, and Native Status”

Luis Gonzalez, Rutgers University  
“The Prison Town Boom and Bust in the Empire State”

Linda Piccirillo-Smith, Kent State University  
“Roots/Heritage Caribbean Student Travel – the Intersections of Culture, Race, and Identity”

John Ponstingel, Binghamton University  
“Place Matters: The Visibility of Filipino and Asian Indian Commercial Enclaves in Jersey City, New Jersey”

Jabrille Williams, Binghamton University  
“Little Five Points, Atlanta: A Story of Pre- and Post-Gentrification Trends”

Megan Hornyak, Cleveland State University  
“Education and Urban Blight”

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**Session 802**  
**National Identities**  
(Kent)

**Chair:** Angel David Cruz, University of Puerto Rico

3:50 **Timothy J. White**, Xavier University  
“Partition, Place, and Peace: A Constructivist Redefinition of Irish Territory and Identities”

4:07 **Kathryn L. Hannum**, Kent State University  
“Landscape, Language, and Galician National Identity”

4:24 **Landon Hancock**, Kent State University  
“Parades & Place: Identity-Driven Protest at Belfast’s Interfaces”

4:41 **Karen Culcasi**, West Virginia University  
“Hybrid Homeland: Palestinian-Americans’ Imaginings and Performance of Nation, Identity and Homeland”

4:58 **Dan T. Johnston**, Indiana University  
“Race, Nationalism, and the Myth of an Immigrant Nation”

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**Session 803**  
**Settlement and Ethnic Community**  
(McGilvrey)

**Chair:** Ezra J. Zeitler, University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire

3:50 **Jennifer Hinojosa**, University of Maryland  
“Changing Settlement Patterns and Socioeconomic Status among Puerto Ricans in the Northeast”

4:07 **Ron Malega**, Missouri State University and **Edwin Gomez**, Old Dominion University  
“Exploring Neighborhood Outcomes of Puerto Rican Residents using Direct Measures of Acculturation”

4:24 **Stavros T. Constantinou**, Ohio State University, **Jonathan Kirk**, Kent State University, and **Milton E. Harvey**, Kent State University  
“Cultural Dimensions of Ethnic Belonging and Their Spatial Manifestations: the Greek Americans”

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Friday: Page 41
4:41 Ira Sheskin, University of Miami  
“Jews in the South: Fading Communities, New Communities”

4:58 Valerie Preston, York University  
"Gendered Intersections: Discrimination and the Second Generation in Toronto"

**Session 804**  
**Places of Resistance**  
(West #1)

**Chair: Shaolu Yu, Rhodes College**

3:50 Derek H. Alderman and Joshua Inwood, Penn State University  
“Civil Rights as Geospatial Work: Rethinking African American Resistance”

4:07 Joe T. Darden, Michigan State University  
“Blacks and Latinos in the United States: The Persistent Struggle for Equality”

4:24 Jonathan Leib, Old Dominion University  
"Naming Practices and Monument Debates in Hampton Roads, Virginia after the 2015 Charleston Massacre"

4:41 Corinna Moebius, Florida International University  
“Daring to Dance in the Crossroads: African-American Dance Houses in New York from 1830-1870”

4:58 Scott Markley, University of Tennessee  
"Progressive Alternative or Business as Usual? Analyzing New Urbanism’s Impact on Neighborhood Change in Atlanta’s Inner Suburbs"

**Session 805**  
**Tips and Strategies for Preparing Effective Proposals to NSF**  
(East #2)

**Chair: Antoinette WinklerPrins, Johns Hopkins University**

Antoinette WinklerPrins, Program Director,  
Geography & Spatial Sciences  
Division of Behavioral & Cognitive Sciences,  
National Science Foundation

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Friday 7:00 - 10:30 PM

Gala Event
(Kent State Hotel Ballroom)
Announcements, Introductions, and Thanks
by John W. Frazier and Dave Kaplan

Entertainment: Kent State Steel Drum Band, led by Janine Tiffe

In keeping with the tradition of REP Conferences, there will be no speaker at the gala event.

The closing event is designed for socializing and fun so please plan on attending!

* Dress TRADITIONALLY for Photo Opportunities. *

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MENU

Salad
Garden Fresh Mixed Greens,
with choice of White Balsamic Vinaigrette and House Ranch Dressing
Oven Fresh Rolls with Butter

Duet Plate
Roasted Chateaubriand stuffed with Spinach, Roasted Tomatoes, and Mozzarella
with Balsamic Port Wine Reduction paired with Garlic and Herb Crusted Scallops
served with Twice Baked Au Gratin Potatoes and Steamed Asparagus

Vegetarian Option Duet Plate
Vegetable Napoleon - Seasonal Vegetables layered in between Puff Pastry and Goat Cheese Coulis
paired with Portobello Mushroom stuffed with Herbed Chickpeas, Onion, Carrots and Cashews
drizzled with Roasted Red Pepper, served with Twice Baked Au Gratin Potatoes

Dessert
Seasonal Sorbet

CASH BAR

Friday: Page 43
Field Trips
See the conference website for details.

Meet in the Lobby of the Kent Hotel 15 Minutes Prior to Departure

**Wednesday, Sept 21**
**All Day Tour of the Amish Country**
led by Timothy Anderson
**will start at 9:00 am**
will conclude prior to the Reception.

**Walking Trip of Revitalized Kent**
led by Jennifer Mapes
**starts at 2:00 PM on Wednesday**
and **at 2:00 PM on Thursday.**
Be sure to attend the session for which you have reserved space!

**Thursday, September 22**
**Ethnic Cleveland**
led by John Grabowski
**3:35 PM Leave the hotel**
4:15 - 7:15 Tour of Ethnic Cleveland
7:15 - 8:15 Dinner at Seven Roses
9:15 PM Return to hotel

**Kent State Commemorative Landscape**
led by Chris Post
**3:00 pm Thursday**
and
**3:00 pm Friday**
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Beloved professor of Geography Susan Hardwick passed away on November 11th, 2015 in Eugene, Oregon, at age 70, after a brief illness. Susan’s career began in 1968, with a teaching job in a one-room schoolhouse in Oroville, California. She went on to earn an MA in geography at Chico State University and spent the next thirteen years teaching geography at a community college in Sacramento. Following the completion of her Ph.D. at UC Davis in 1986, she took up positions as a geography professor at universities in California, Texas and, ultimately, Oregon.

Susan, who joined the University of Oregon’s Department of Geography in 2000 and retired in 2010, is remembered for her passion, enthusiasm and longtime dedication as a teacher, mentor, advisor, researcher and national leader in the field of geography education.

In recognition of her extraordinary service and leadership in advancing geography education, Hardwick was honored in 2013 with the George J. Miller Award for Distinguished Service, the highest award given by the National Council for Geographic Education.

Among her many accomplishments, Susan played a critical role in crafting the original and revised versions of the National Geography Standards and co-hosted the hugely successful PBS/Annenberg series, “The Power of Place.” She also spearheaded the development of an online training program for teachers of AP Human Geography, and played a central role in bringing to fruition the “Road Map for the Large-Scale Improvement of K–12 Geography Education.”

Her numerous other accolades included the Distinguished University Educator Award from the National Council for Geographic Education and the Outstanding Professor Award for the entire California State University System. She was twice awarded the University of Oregon Rippey Innovative Teaching Award.

Susan was an active member of the Race Ethnicity and Place community. In 2008, she was a co-editor with Audrey Singer and Caroline Brettell of “Twenty First Century Suburban Gateways: Immigrant Incorporation in Suburban America,” published by the Brookings Institution. In 2014, Susan also co-edited “Transnational Borders, Transnational Lives: Academic Mobility at the Borderland” with Remy Tremblay. At the time of her passing, Susan was working on a project investigating the history and geographical extent of the Ku Klux Klan in Oregon.

Susan will be dearly missed by the REP community. She left behind an incredible legacy in her multiple roles as a geographer, teacher, colleague, mentor, mother, grandmother and friend.

Credit: Alec Murphy & Tom Ptak
Florence Magainda Lansana Margai, born in Freetown, Sierra Leone on November 6, 1962, left us suddenly and unexpectedly January 8, 2015. Binghamton University celebrated Florence’s life with family, friends, and colleagues on February 23, 2015, with accolades from siblings, administrators, and department colleagues and Florence’s faculty advisor from Kent State University. The Nuporfe African Dance Drumming Ensemble, Binghamtonics (a capella singing group), and the Binghamton University Gospel Choir performed.

Florence graduated from Fourah Bay College (honors), received her Master of Arts and PhD degrees from Kent State University, and began her academic career at Hunter College. In 1994, she moved to the Department of Geography at Binghamton University, where she was promoted to the rank of professor. In 2011, Florence began her administrative career as Associate Dean of the Graduate School, followed by her 2013, appointment as an Associate Dean in Harpur College of Arts and Sciences at Binghamton University. During her Harpur Dean’s Office appointment, she assumed the position of Interim Director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies (IGCS).

Florence has participated in every Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference. She maintained her deep affection for Africa, and her many African friends, in the US and Africa. She, also contributed in many ways to her interests in Sierra Leone and to the AAG African Geography Specialty Group. Florence dedicated her life to her work in environmental and health disparities, but even more to her family, her friends, her colleagues, and students. She is survived by her husband, William, her daughters, Luba, and Konya, her mother, and her siblings, as well as many other family members and friends.
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The EGSG encourages professionals and students to present research at our meetings, which provide excellent opportunities to meet others and to share research with geographers and other social scientists from across the globe. To learn more about presenting your research in an EGSG-sponsored session at the conference, see the EGSG website (Website hosted by the Department of Geography and Anthropology at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.)

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