



# SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF DISCOVERIES

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Hosted by Northern Michigan University

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## Thursday, September 22

- 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Tour the island by horse-drawn carriage or bicycle, or your own.
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Registration
- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Reception (Cash Bar)
- Remarks:** Dennis Reinhartz, Michael Marsden, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Northern Michigan University

## Friday, September 23

- 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. SHD Council Meeting
- 9:00 - 12:00 noon Registration

### SESSION I - THE GREAT LAKES

- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **Chair:** Michael Marsden, Northern Michigan University
- John Wolter, Washington D.C.  
*Late 18th and Early 19th Century Charting of the Great Lakes.*
- David Buisseret, The Newberry Library  
*Visualizing the History of the Great Lakes: A Progress Report.*
- 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break

### SESSION II - CARTOGRAPHY

- 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. **Chair:** TBA
- Arthur Holzheimer, Chicago, Illinois  
*The "Ramusio" Map of 1534.*
- James E. Kelly, Jr. Melrose Park, Pennsylvania  
*Still Lost in the Indies After All These Years: Interpreting Early Maps of America.*
- 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

### SESSION III - EXPLORATIONS AND ENCOUNTERS

- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. **Chair:** Louis DeVorse, Athens, Georgia
- Delno C. West, Northern Arizona University  
*The "English Friar's" (Nicholas of Lynn?) Arctic Expedition of 1360.*

Ralph W. Brauer, Institute for Research on the Interrelation of Science and Culture.  
*Boundaries, Walls, and Pilgrims in Early and Medieval China*

Terry J. Cooper, Houston, Texas  
*Radomir: Life in a Medieval European Village*

- 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. Coffee Break

### SESSION III - Continued

- 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Bruce P. Lenman, University of St. Andrews, Scotland  
*From Nova Scotia to Canton: The Development of Scottish Knowledge of Eastern Waters 1624-1727*
- Merle Severy, Chevy Chase, Maryland  
*The Role of Northwest Africa in Portugal's Age of Discovery*
- William R. Stanley, University of South Carolina  
*Full Circle-Walvis Bay from Guano Exploitation Through Colonial Competition to Apartheid's Demise.*

### BANQUET

- 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. **Speaker:** Russell M. Magnaghi, Northern Michigan University  
*The Straits of Mackinac as a Gateway to Discovery and Exploration, 1634-1832.*

## Saturday, September 24

### SESSION IV - MARTIN FROBISHER

- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **Chair:** Ed Bahl, Public Archives of Canada
- Donald D. Hogarth, University of Ottawa, Canada  
*Forgotten Discoveries of Martin Frobisher, Re-established in Baffin Island and Greenland, 1990-1994*
- H. G. Jones, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
*An Early Meeting of Cultures: The Inuit as Stereotyped by Martin Frobisher's Voyagers. 1576-1578*

### SESSION V - ASTRONOMY AND NAVIGATION

- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. **Chair:** TBA

Douglas T. Peck, Bradenton, Florida  
*The Great Navigational Hoax*

Virginia Gonzalez Claveran, El Colegio  
de Mexico, Mexico  
*Dionisio Alcalá Galiano and His  
Astronomical Observations in Mexico.*

10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

## SESSION VI - COLUMBUS REVISITED

11:00 - 12:30 p.m. Chair: TBA

Jackson C. Boswell, Arlington, Virginia  
*Columbus's Fame in England, 1492-  
1640*

Arne B. Molander, Gaithersburg,  
Maryland  
*Christopher Columbus: The Long  
Voyage Home.*

Bruce B. Solnick, SUNY Albany, New  
York  
*Columbus: A New Look at the "Minor"  
Voyages*

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. SHD Business Meeting and Lunch

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Russell Magnaghi, "Tour of Historic  
Downtown and Fort Mackinac."

7:30 - Optional dinner at the Grand Hotel  
dining room, on your own.

## Sunday, September 25

9:00 - 12:00 noon

Optional Tour: St. Ignace, Father  
Marquette National Memorial, and  
Fort Michilimackinac.



MARQUETTE AND JOLIET ON THE  
MISSISSIPPI, 1673

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### SHD Registration Form

→ General Registration - **\$60**

Includes: Lunch, banquet, reception,  
continental breakfasts, Saturday tour.

→ Pre-paid Wolverine Stage

Airport to Mackinaw City (RT) - **\$24**

→ Optional Tour: St. Ignace, Fr.

Marquette National Memorial and  
Fort Michilimackinac - **\$22**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Return form with check made payable  
to:

### MACKINAC CONFERENCE

c/o Russell Magnaghi  
History Department  
Northern Michigan University  
1401 Presque Isle Avenue  
Marquette, MI 49855

**Please register by September 1.** Optional tour may be  
canceled if sufficient registrations are not received by then.

Please send a separate form for each registrant.

Lake View Hotel is wheelchair accessible. Handicapped parking  
is available. Please let us know about any dietary or other special  
needs.

## Accommodations

### Hotel

The conference will be held at Lake View Hotel, P.O. Box 190, Main Street, Mackinac Island, Michigan 49757 near the Star Ferry Dock. Reservations must be made by September 1 to receive the special group rate of single \$75.00; deluxe \$100.00; premium \$120.00; whirlpool \$150.00. To make reservations: FAX 906/847-6283 or 906/847-3384 and say you are with SHD.

The Lake View Hotel is in the heart of downtown Mackinac Island close to the Star Ferry dock and fine dining. It has the only indoor pool on the Island.

### Auto:

Travel to either St. Ignace or Mackinaw City and take the Star Line Ferry to Mackinac Island. Ferry fare is included with your registration fee; give them your name and the conference. Last ferry to the island leaves at 6:00 p.m. No autos are allowed on Mackinac Island.

### Air:

Northwest Airlines is the official carrier for the annual meeting. The best route is through Detroit to Pellston. Wolverine Stage (\$24.00 RT) will take you to the Star Line Ferry dock in Mackinaw City. For a special conference discount either make your reservations with Four Seasons Travel in Marquette (1-800-71-TRIPS) and ask for either Tiffany or Carol or call Northwest 1-800-328-1111 and refer to #NC4US.

For those coming from the West Coast, you probably will not be able to make the last ferry at 6:00 p.m. We have arranged a special rate (\$35.00) at Loveland's LaMirage Motel in Mackinaw City. Reservations: 1-800-729-0998. Take the 8:00 a.m. ferry. Transportation is available to the dock.

You can fly into Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario (50 miles to the north) on Air Canada and Canadian Airlines. Please contact Magnaghi for transportation to Mackinac Island.

For more information, call 906/227-1229.



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