

Biographies of those who plan to attend the National Strategy Meeting of Historians (May 28, 2019)

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Andy Battle is a doctoral student in US History at the CUNY Graduate Center. His present research explores the deindustrialization of New York City through case studies of “runaway plants,” or factories that left New York for the American South or abroad between 1945 and 1975. His writing on film, theory, infrastructure, and New York City history has appeared in *Jacobin*, *Commune*, *The Brooklyn Rail*, and elsewhere. He has been active in the academic labor movement and other social struggles.

Marc Becker is professor of Latin American history at Truman State University. His research focuses on the history of the Latin American left. Among his publications are *The FBI in Latin America: The Ecuador Files*. He is a founding member, former co-chair, and web editor for Historians for Peace and Democracy (H-Pad).



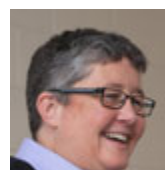
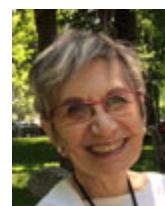
Dan Berger is associate professor of comparative ethnic studies at the University of Washington Bothell and the author or editor of six books on US social movements. A longtime anti-prison activist, Berger cofounded the coalition Decarcerate PA and now coordinates the digital archive Washington Prison History Project.

Casey Nelson Blake, Mendelson Family Professor of American Studies and Director of the Center for American Studies, works on modern U.S. intellectual and cultural history, with an emphasis on the relationship between artistic modernism, cultural criticism and democratic citizenship. He has overseen a civic engagement program at Columbia that has prepared hundreds of low-income, first-generation high school students for college and lives of active citizenship.



John Blanton is an Assistant Professor at The City College of New York, CUNY, specializing in the history of slavery, capitalism, and empire in the early modern Anglo-Atlantic world. He is a member of Western Connecticut DSA and has volunteered for a number of local environmental, educational, and anti-racist initiatives.

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Laura Briggs is a scholar of US empire in Latin America and reproductive politics. She is the author of several scholarly books, including *Reproducing Empire: Race, Sex, Science and US Imperialism in Puerto Rico*. Briggs’s activism these days consists in public intellectual work—podcasts, op eds, and books, including in 2016, *How All Politics*



Became Reproductive Politics: From Welfare Reform to Foreclosure to Trump. She is currently writing a book on the history that took us to child separation at the border, entitled *Taking Children: An American History of Terror*.

George Ciccariello-Maher is visiting scholar at the Hemispheric Institute of Performance and Politics, having taught previously at Drexel University, San Quentin State Prison, and the Venezuelan School of Planning in Caracas. He is co-editor of the Duke University Press series Radical Américas and author of three books: *We Created Chávez: A People's History of the Venezuelan Revolution* (2013); *Building the Commune: Radical Democracy in Venezuela* (2016); and *Decolonizing Dialectics* (2017).



Paul Croce teaches at Stetson University about ideological differences that manners experts suggest not bringing to the dinner table. He's written books on public intellectual William James, and in his spirit, he created PubClassroom, <https://pubclassroom.com/>, with many essays focused on learning from differences as substantial ways to encourage peace.

Leena Dallasheh is a Palestinian citizen of Israel, an assistant professor of history at Humboldt State University. She has a PhD in History and Middle Eastern Studies from NYU. Her research focuses on modern Palestine/Israel history. Since college, she has been involved in struggle for justice for Palestine and social justice.



Mara Dodge teaches U.S. history at Westfield State University in Western Mass. Her scholarly interests include women's history, labor history, history of prisons & local history. Currently she serves on the executive committee of the faculty union and is a member of the statewide Educators for a Democratic Union (EDU) and the local Democratic Socialists of America chapter.

Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz is from rural Oklahoma, a historian, teacher, professor emerita, 60s revolutions' veteran, with lifelong involvement in working class, anti-colonial, anti-imperialist, anti-racist, feminist, indigenous, and other social movements, and author or editor of 15 books, most recently *Loaded: A Disarming History of the Second Amendment*.



Carolyn Rusti Eisenberg is a professor of US history and American foreign policy at Hofstra University. She is the author of *Drawing the Line: the American Decision to Divide Germany* and is finishing a new book *Never Lose: Nixon, Kissinger and the Illusion of National Security*. She is the co-founder of Brooklyn for Peace and for more than a decade served as legislative co-coordinator of Congressional activity for United for Peace and Justice. She is a long standing member of the Steering Committee for Historians Against War.

Barbara Epstein is a historian of social movements. Her books include *Political Protest and Cultural Revolution* (the anti-nuclear movement) and *The Minsk Ghetto 1941-1943* (the ghetto resistance movement). Activism: Student Sane, Communist Party, SDS, Socialist Revolution editorial collective, direct action against nuclear weapons. Current project: the ideas that shaped the movements of the 60s.



Jeri Fogel

Irene L. Gendzier, currently Prof. Emeritus at Boston University, was a long- time member of the Boston University faculty, where she served in the Departments of History and Political Science, and was associated with the African Studies Center. Throughout this period, in addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on the history and politics of the Middle East and problems of Development, she has been active in speaking and writing about problems of development, as well as U.S. foreign policy in the Middle East.



Van Gosse is a Professor of History at Franklin & Marshall. After writing about the New Left “movement of movements” for some years, he now studies black politics between the Revolution and the Civil War. He has been active in peace and solidarity work since the 1980s (CISPES, Peace Action, United for Peace and Justice) and helped found Historians Against the War, now H-PAD, in 2003.

David Greenberg is a Professor of History and of Journalism & Media Studies at Rutgers University and writes frequently on public affairs. He is the author or editor of several books on American history and politics including *Nixon’s Shadow: The History of an Image* (2003) and *Republic of Spin: An Inside History of the American Presidency* (2016).



Kali Gross

Steven Hahn received his Ph.D. at Yale University and is currently Professor of History at New York University. He is a specialist on the international history of slavery, emancipation, and race, on the construction of American empire, and on the social and political history of the “long nineteenth century” in the United States.



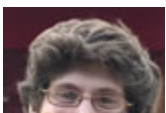
Anissa H  lie is professor at John Jay College, NYC, but especially loves teaching in prison. Growing up in Algeria, she has been involved with feminist organizations and transnational networks. Anissa speaks internationally on issues of sexuality, wars and conflicts, religious fundamentalisms and violence against women (and the unfortunate intersection of the four).

Elizabeth Hinton is a professor of History and African American Studies at Harvard who is deeply committed to transforming the criminal injustice system. Her research focuses on the persistence of poverty and racial inequality in the twentieth century United States through the prism of crime control policy, urban violence, and incarceration.



Rebecca Karl teaches History at New York University. She works particularly on modern China, revolution, gender, and social theory. She organizes at NYU with her colleagues on issues revolving around faculty governance, global and domestic academic freedom, labor rights, and any number of other arenas.

Matthew Karp is an associate professor of History at Princeton University and a contributing editor at Jacobin magazine. The author of *This Vast Southern Empire: Slaveholders at the Helm of American Foreign Policy*, he is now at work on a book about the emergence of antislavery mass politics before the U.S. Civil War. He is a volunteer for the Bernie Sanders campaign and a member of the Democratic Socialists of America.

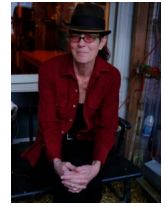


Paul R. Katz is a PhD candidate at Columbia, where he studies state torture and the Left in southern South America in the 1970s. Paul was a founding organizer of Graduate Workers



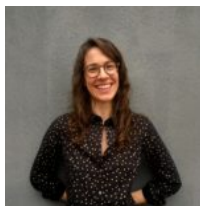
of Columbia-United Auto Workers Local 2110, the union for teaching and research assistants at Columbia, which is currently negotiating its first contract.

L.A. Kauffman has been a grassroots organizer and movement strategist for more than 30 years and is the author of *Direct Action: Protest and the Reinvention of American Radicalism* and *How to Read a Protest: The Art of Organizing and Resistance*.



Alice Kessler-Harris, R. Gordon Hoxie Professor of History, Emerita, Columbia University continues to work on issues of labor and social policy, particularly as they concern women. She is particularly interested in how the current political climate affects how we write history. Her books include several around women and labor in the US and in comparative context, and most recently she has completed a MOOC whose purpose is to engage audiences of all kinds in women's history.

Osamah Khalil is Associate Professor of History at Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. He is the author of *America's Dream Palace: Middle East Expertise and the Rise of the National Security State* (2016) and editor of *United States Relations with China and Iran: Toward the Asian Century* (July 2019). Khalil is also a co-founder of Al-Shabaka, The Palestinian Policy Network, an independent, non-profit, globally ranked think tank.



Jessie Kindig is an editor at Verso Books in New York City. She was trained as a historian of U.S. empire, and is currently faculty at the Brooklyn Institute for Social Research and a visiting scholar at Columbia University's Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race.

Peter Kuznick is Professor of History and Director of the Nuclear Studies Institute at American University. He began his career writing about science and politics and U.S. cultural history, but in recent decades has focused more on nuclear history. He has been active in civil rights, anti-war, and anti-nuclear movements. His most recent project is the 12 part documentary film series (that originally aired on Showtime and is now on Netflix) and series of books both titled *The Untold History of the United States*, which he co-authored with filmmaker Oliver Stone. His current project is a feature film screenplay tentatively titled "Lost Cause" about Henry Wallace, Harry Truman, and the Origins of the Cold War.



Beth Lew-Williams is an assistant professor of history and Philip and Beulah Rollins Bicentennial Preceptor at Princeton University. She is a historian of race and migration in the United States, specializing in Asian American history.



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Donna Murch is associate professor of history at Rutgers University. She is currently completing a new trade press book entitled *Crack in Los Angeles: Policing the Crisis and the War on Drugs*. She also has a forthcoming books of essays that will be published later this year entitled, *Assata Taught Me: State Violence, Mass Incarceration*

 and the Movement for Black Lives.

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Margaret Power is a professor at the Illinois Institute of Technology who focuses on Latin America. She has written on the Right and women in Chile and Latin America and the Nationalist Party in Puerto Rico. In terms of her activism, she has opposed U.S. intervention and torture in Latin America and globally. She has prioritized women's liberation. She is president of the Board of Directors of the Puerto Rican Cultural Center

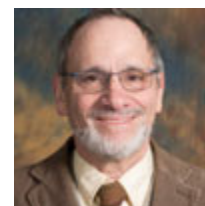
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Mary Roldán is the Dorothy Epstein Professor of Latin American History and Chair of the History Department at Hunter College, CUNY and an affiliated faculty member of the CUNY Graduate Center History Department. She works on issues of violence, peace alternatives, mass communications (radio), the Catholic Church and politics in Colombia. She serves as an expert witness in asylum cases and works as a scholar activist and interlocutor in conjunction with scholars, journalists and human rights organizers and lawyers working to defend and implement the Peace Accords and collect the testimonies of victims of violence.



Ellen Schrecker retired from Yeshiva University several years ago and has been working on a political history of the American academic community in the long 1960s ever since. She has written extensively on McCarthyism and higher education. Among her publications, *No Ivory Tower: McCarthyism and the University*; *Many Are the Crimes: McCarthyism in America*; *The Lost Soul of Higher Education*.

Alan Singer is a professor of Teaching, Learning and Technology and the director of social studies education programs at Hofstra University and a former New York City high school teacher. His most recent book is *New York's Grand Emancipation Jubilee* (SUNY Press, 2018). His current political activity is support for student political activism.



Shanti Singham is a Professor of History and Africana Studies at Williams College. She grew up in Jamaica, teaches Marxism, and Caribbean and European History, and has been a lifelong activist. She was an active member of HAW during the Iraq War, helping lead a petition campaign for the NYRB.

Andor Skotnes is professor of history and sociology at the Sage Colleges in Albany and Troy, New York. His research focuses on recent social movements, mainly in the U.S, and mainly concerning the Black freedom and working class struggles. He is currently a community activist in the Albany New York region.




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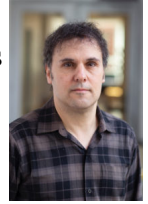
James L. Swarts has served as an adjunct lecturer specializing in United States and presidential history, and U.S. religious history at SUNY Geneseo since 2001, following careers in government and ministry. A Vietnam-era U.S. Navy veteran, he has been an active organizer and speaker in local antiwar activities over past eighteen years, and is President of the Rochester, NY chapter of Veterans For Peace. James has been on the H-PAD Steering Committee since 2011.



Christy Thornton is an assistant professor of sociology and Latin American studies at Johns Hopkins University. During 2017-2018, she was a fellow at Harvard University's Weatherhead Initiative on Global History. She received her PhD in Latin American history from NYU in 2015. Her first book, *Revolution in Development: Mexico and the Governance*

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Kevin Young teaches history at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, where he specializes in political economy, social movements, and U.S. empire in modern Latin America. Outside the university, he is involved with the climate movement and with efforts to strengthen ties between climate groups and other struggles.

