



## "Childhood and the State--The State of Childhood

### The Society for the History of Children and Youth Bi-Annual Conference June 26-29, 2003

**UMBC**  
An Honors University  
in Maryland

University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
Baltimore, Maryland

UMBC Department of  
History

on-line registration  
(pre-registration deadline: June 16, 2003)

All conference events will take place on the University of Maryland Baltimore County campus.

### Thursday, June 26th

#### Session 1 – 4.00-6.00 p.m.

#### 1) "Child Health and Social Progress in Early-Twentieth-Century America"

chair – Hamilton Cravens, Iowa State University

Cynthia Anne Connolly, Yale University

"Prevention Through Detention: The Early-Twentieth-Century Pediatric  
Tuberculosis Preventorium Movement"

Laura Lovett, Dartmouth College

"From Better Babies to Fitter Families: Children's  
Health Contests and Agrarian Pronatalism in the  
United States, 1915-1935"

Carita Constable Huang, University of Pennsylvania

"Making Children 'Fit for Democracy': The Child Health Organization and  
the Normal Child, 1918-1923"

#### 2) "Children of the Republic: Political Ideology and Child-Centered Reform in the United States, 1789-1896"

chair – Peter Bardaglio, Ithaca College

Rachel Hope Cleves, University of California, Berkeley

"The Politics of Public Schools in the Early American Republic"

Heather Norby, University of California, Berkeley

"Child Custody in a Tenuously United States, 1796-1870"

Ann Kirson Swersky, Tel Aviv University

"Noblesse Oblige or Self-Interest? The philosophy behind the care of  
dependent children in nineteenth-century Massachusetts"

comment – Peter Holloran, Worcester State College

#### 3) "Teenagers, Morality, and Social Order"

chair – Leslie Paris, University of British Columbia

Ilana Nash, Five College Women's Studies Research Center

“Saluting Virgins: Imagining The Teenage Girl In Wartime”

Bayard Lyons, University of California at Los Angeles

“Negotiating personal freedom and transforming moral culture: the transformation of Turkish Cypriot adolescent sense of social and moral responsibility between 1960 and 2002”

Carolyn Cocca, SUNY Old Westbury

“Teenagency: Adolescent Sexuality, Morality Policymaking, and the Role of the Researcher”

Welcome Dinner 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

UMBC Commons, Skylight Room

We hope that many SHCY members and friends will join us to celebrate Dr. Robert H. Bremner's life and scholarship.

**Friday, June 27th**

**Continental Breakfast for all conference registrants: UMBC Commons, near the Skylight Room  
8:00 - 9:30 am**

**Breakfast Meeting of the SHCY Executive Committee, 8:00- 9:30 am**

**Session 2 – 9.30-11.30 a.m.**

**1) “The Mass Production of American Youth Psychology: Advertising, High Schooling, and the Welfare State”**

chair – James Reed, Rutgers University

Patrick J. Ryan, University of Texas at Dallas

“The Competency Within: Modern Childhood and the Cultural Foundation of Welfare Services in America”

Susan Ferentinos, Indiana University

“‘Puppy Love Can Be Serious Business’: Advertisers’ Assumptions about Adolescence, 1930-1950”

John C. Spurlock, Seton Hill University

“What Happened to Girls’ Romantic Friendships?”

**2) “Twentieth-Century European Nationalism and Youth”**

chair – Katharine Norris, American University

Jacqueline Olich, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

<p>“A First Five-Year Plan for Children’s Books?” Russian Children’s Literature, 1927-1933”</p>
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Richard Jobs, Pacific University

“The *Maisons des jeunes et de la culture* and the Rejuvenation of National Identity in post-WWII France”

John Edward Kuykendall, Newberry College

“*Die Kriegsbücherei der deutschen Jugend: A Case Study in Nazi Indoctrination, 1939-1942*”

### 3) “Black Childhood and the Making of Race in Early-Twentieth-Century America”

chair - Jessica Elfenbein, University of Baltimore

Michelle Scott, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

“Somebody’s Angel Child: Black Childhood and Street Performance in the Urban South”

Stacey Pamela Patton, Rutgers University

“How Sociology Colored the History of African-American Childhood”

Moira Hinderer, University of Chicago

“Childhood and Race-Making in Everyday Chicago, 1919”

### Buffet Lunch for all conference registrants, Noon to 1:00 p.m.

**UMBC Commons, Cabaret Room**

### Session 3 – 1.00 – 3.00 p.m.

#### 1) “Child-Rearing Literature in Nineteenth-Century America”

chair - Melissa Klapper, Rowan University

Pat Pflieger, West Chester University

“Principles of Good Government in Some Early American Children’s Magazines”

Sandra Pryor, University of Delaware

“Childhood, Gender, Ethnicity, and Respectability in Nineteenth-Century Catholic Novels”

Jed Woodworth, University of Wisconsin, Madison

“Children in American Advice Books, 1820-60”

#### 2) “Childhood and Social Thought”

chair – Katharine Kittredge, Ithaca College

Anne Christina Rose, Johns Hopkins University

“Educational Experiments and Radical Politics in 1790s England”

James Block, DePaul University

“G.S. Hall and the Origins of the American Study of Childhood”

Crista DeLuzio, Southern Methodist University

“The ‘Budding Girl’: G. Stanley Hall’s Psychology of Female – and ‘Feminized’ – Adolescence”

#### 3) “Child Labor”

chair – Kriste Lindenmeyer, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Vincent DiGirolamo, Baruch College

"The Newsboys' New Deal: Child Labor Reform  
and Imagery in the Great Depression"

Miriam Forman-Brunell, University of Missouri, Kansas City

"Ambivalence and Abuse: The State of Babysitting  
and Babysitters and the State"

James Schmidt, Northern Illinois University

"Rights to Recover: Constructing Child Labor in the Nineteenth-Century  
United States"

**Session 4 – 3.15 – 5.15 p.m.**

**1) "European Youth, Welfare, and War"**

chair – James Marten, Marquette University

Valentina Tikoff, DePaul University

"Warfare and the Wards of Seville's San Telmo Maritime Orphanage in  
the Age of Atlantic Revolutions"

Brian Els, University of Portland

"Child Welfare, Municipal Relief, and the First World War in Berlin"

Lydia Murdoch, Vassar College

"Children and Soldiers: The Effects of the First World War on London  
Child Welfare Institutions"

**2) "Conceptions of Childhood: Research and Methodologies"**

chair – Steven Mintz, University of Houston

Jeanine Graham, University of Waikato

"Towards a history of New Zealand  
childhoods"

Afua Twum-Danso, University of Birmingham

"Unitary Versus Multiple: *Concept* or *Conceptions*  
of Childhood Across Time and Space"

April Brayfield, Tulane University

"What is Childhood? The Depiction of Children in Family Scholarship"

**3) "Exercising Youth: Bodily and Societal Fitness"**

chair – Diane North, University of Maryland, University College

Luke Springman, Bloomsburg University

"Girls in the Machine: Sports and Ideology in  
German Literature for Girls during the Weimar  
Republic (1918-1933)"

Shelly McKenzie, George Washington University

"Mass Movements: A Cultural History of Exercise  
and Physical Fitness, 1956-1990"

Jon Pahl, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia

"Saying No, Saying Yes: The State, Christian Youth  
Ministries, and the Adolescent Body in America,  
1930-1999"

Plenary Talk and Dinner for all registrants, 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

UMBC Albin O. Kuhn Library, 7th Floor  
Professor Michael Grossberg, Keynote Speaker

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## **Saturday, June 28th**

### **Continental Breakfast for all conference registrants**

**UMBC Commons, near the Skylight Room, 8:00 - 9:30 am**

### **Session 5 – 9.30-11.30 a.m.**

#### **1) “Treating Troubled Youth”**

chair – Kathleen Alaimo, Saint Xavier University

Jessica Elfenbein, University of Baltimore

“The Children’s Fresh Air Fund”

Vanessa Rutherford, Open University

“Social spaces for children: recreational reform strategies, Ireland  
 1800-1925”

Carlo Corea, City University Of New York Graduate Center

“State-Sanctioned Delinquency, 1917-1932”

#### **2) “Nineteenth-Century Orphans and Bound-Out Youths”**

chair – Harvey Graff, University Of Texas, San Antonio

Margaret McNay, University of Western Ontario

“Children In the Service of the Empire: The British Child Emigration  
 Movement”

Susan Porter, Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities

“‘Farming or Any Other Laudable Business’: Working-Class Boys and  
 Self-Sufficiency in Antebellum America”

Nancy Zey, University of Texas at Austin

<p>“The Persistence of Benevolence: A Look at Early          Nineteenth-Century Charitable Societies for Poor          and Orphaned Children and Their Descendant          Agencies”</p>
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#### **3) “Regulating Children’s Bodies”**

chair – Sonya Michel, University of Maryland, College Park

Amanda Brian, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“Children Embodied: Physical Vulnerability in German Schools”

Katharine Bullard, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“The Rights of American Children: The Children’s Bureau, Empire, and  
 the Ambiguities of Welfare”

Rachel Shulman, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“The Colonization of Working-Class Children and the 1904 Report on  
 Physical Deterioration”

### **Lunch for all conference registrants, Noon to 1 p.m.**

**UMBC Commons, Cabaret Room**

**Roundtable discussion:****“Beyond the Century of the Child”: Collaborations between Historians and Developmental Psychologists**

Michael Zuckerman (University of Pennsylvania), Willem Koops (Utrecht University, The Netherlands), Steve Schlossman (Carnegie Mellon University), Jay Mechling (University of California, Davis), Emily Cahan (Wheelock College)

**Session 6 – 1.00 – 3.00 p.m.****1) “From Nation-State to Market-State: American Civil Institutions and a Century of Childhood”**

chair – Joe Austin, Bowling Green State University

Joan Menefee, University of Wisconsin-Stout

“Statehood and Childhood: John Dewey and American Identity in the Nineteenth Century”

Thea Petchler, University of Minnesota

“Childhood Creativity and Civil Unrest”

Mike Willard, Oklahoma State University

“The Do-It-Yourself Market-State: Skate, Punk and the Regulation of Youth Cultural Formation in a Stateless World”

**2) “Serving the Nation and Coming of Age”**

chair - Birgitte Soland, Ohio State University

Todd Alexander Postol, independent scholar

“Marketing Boyhood on the Homefront: The Newspaper Boy War Stamp Program of WWII”

Brian Bunk, Central Connecticut State University

“Aida Lafuente and Adolescent Women at War”

Emily Mieras, Stetson University

“‘We are All Pretty Much the Same.’

Progressive-Era College Students and the Service Ethic”

**3) “Gendered Play and Child Rearing”**

chair – Julia Grant, James Madison College, Michigan State University

Brian Ganaway, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

“Dolls and the Debate Over Female Identity in Imperial Germany, 1900-1918”

Caroline Hinkle McCamant, University of California at Berkeley

“Shaping the Boy: Father Involvement in the Rearing of Sons in the United States, 1880-1920”

Sarah Anne Carter, University of Delaware/Winterthur Program in Early American Culture

“Charity Begins in the Dollhouse: 1875-1900”

**Session 7 – 3.15 – 5.15 p.m.****1) “Statehood, Parenthood, and Childhood”**

chair – Patrick J. Ryan, University of Texas at Dallas

Iris Agmon, Ben-Gurion University

"Orphan Properties and the Construction of the  
Muslim Family in the Ottoman Empire: The Case of  
Late Ottoman Palestine"

Beatrice McKenzie, University of Oregon

"Birthright and Citizenship and the Nation"

Isabella Cosse, University of Buenos Aires/University of San Andrés

"Social justice and illegitimate children: childhood, family and state in  
Argentina (1946-1954)"

## 2) "The Child at Risk/The Child as Criminal"

chair – Paula Fass, University of California, Berkeley

Janet McShane Galley, Temple University

"Portraying the Child Victim: Murder, Accusations, and the Creation of  
Public Sympathy"

Simon Baatz, National Institutes of Health

"The Bobby Franks Murder: Leopold-Loeb and the  
Making of American Psychiatry"

Mona Gleason, University of British Columbia

"From 'Disgraceful Carelessness' to 'Intelligent Precaution': Doctors,  
Parents, and the Accidental Child in English-Canada, 1990 to 1950"

## 3) "Contested Child Rearing"

chair – Jackie Reinier, Oxford University Press

Richard Kimball, Brigham Young University

"Language adapted to their capacities': Teaching Children How to Live in  
the Early Republic"

Amanda Bruce, SUNY, Stony Brook

"The Boundaries of Childhood: Children's Radio  
and Parental Authority"

Natasha Zaretsky, Southern Illinois University

"Child-Rearing Gone Bad: Family Permissiveness  
and National Economic Decline in the 1970s"

### 5.15 – 6.30 – General Meeting of the Membership

Complimentary Shuttle Buses to Baltimore's Inner Harbor leave campus at 6:45 pm.  
Buses will return to UMBC from the Inner Harbor at 10:30 pm

**Sunday, June 29th**

**Continental Breakfast for all conference registrants**

**UMBC Commons, near the Skylight Room, 8:00 - 9:30 am**

**Session 8 – 8.30-10.30 a.m.**

1) "Social Policy and Children's Rights: Children's Learning from Nursery School through High

**School"**

chair - Joe Hawes, University Of Memphis

John Cornell, Butler University

"Young Germany, 1789-1848: Experts and Experiments in Early Childhood"

Charles Dorn, University of California, Berkeley

"The Wartime Nexus in Early Childhood Education: Nursery Schooling in Richmond, California, between 1942 and 1945"

Gael Graham, Western Carolina University

"Students' Rights, Student Power: Dissident High School Students in the 1960s"

**2) "Racial Politics and the Image of the Child in America"**

chair - Molly Mitchell, University of New Orleans

Rebecca de Schweinitz, University of Virginia

"Childhood as a Useful Category of Historical Analysis: Images and Evidence from the Civil Rights Movement"

Holly Blackford, Rutgers University

"The White Child's Gaze upon the Drama of African-American Manhood: Positioning *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *To Kill A Mockingbird* in Trajectories of American Literature, the History of Race, and Contemporary Theory"

Susan Bragg, University of Washington

"Real, Live Moving Children": The Cultural Politics of Childhood in NAACP Literature, 1910-1934"

**3) "Ideology and Images of Childhood"**

chair - Gary Cross, Penn State University

Hilary Mac Austin and Kathleen Thompson, independent scholars

"Telling Images: Visual Clues to the History of Children in America"

Mawuena Logan, University of Botswana

"British Juvenile Literature"

Kristen Hatch, University of California at Los Angeles

"America's Sweetheart: Shirley Temple and the Consumption of Innocence"

**Session 9 - 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.****1) "Late-Twentieth-Century Child Welfare"**

chair - David Macleod, Central Michigan University

Clementine Fujimura, U.S. Naval Academy

"Russia's Abandoned Children: Having a Voice"

Mary Jean O'Sullivan, Seton Hall University

"The Citizens' Committee for Children of New York and the Evolution of Child Advocacy, 1945-1972"



Ethan Sribnick, University of Virginia

“Justine Wise Polier and the Transformation of Child Welfare, 1945-1972”

**2) “Nationalism, Commemoration, and Education”**

chair – Robert Cohen, New York University

Thomas Cardoza, University of California, San Diego

“From Soldiers to Students: The Shift in *Enfant de troupe* Education from Barracks to Classroom: 1885-1886”

Mary Conley, College of the Holy Cross

“Duty, Heroism, and the Nation: the Wartime Commemoration of Jack Cornwell, 1916-1917”

Julie deGraffenried, University of Texas at Austin

“‘All for the Motherland!’: A Study of the Radio Program ‘Pioneer Dawn’ in the Soviet Union During the Great Patriot War”

**3) “Juvenile Delinquency and Sexual Policing in the United States”**

chair – Janet Golden, Rutgers University-Camden

Ann Kordas, Community College of Rhode Island

“‘Dangerous Dungaree Dolls’: Fears of Female Juvenile Delinquency in Post-World-War-II America”

Tamara Myers, University of Winnipeg

“Boyish Badness: Juvenile Justice and the Unexplored Sexual Nature of Male Delinquency”

Lee Polansky, independent scholar

“Juvenile Delinquent Girls in Atlanta, Georgia, 1914-1930”