Program

Day I: Friday August 3:
Registration, open from 8:30 am
Breakfast available from 8:30 am: In the foyer of the conference venue

Opening Remarks and Refreshments: 9:00-10:00 am
Opening Remarks
Location: West Falls Church
Helen Schneider, outgoing President of HSTCC
Timothy B. Weston, incoming President of HSTCC
Kristin Stapleton, Editor of Twentieth Century China

Friday, Panel Set A
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

A1 – Foreign Relations
Location: West Falls Church

Stephen MacKinnon (Arizona State University): How to Define Spying in 1930s China: Cases of Chen Hansheng and Agnes Smedley

Peter Roy Harmsen (University of Copenhagen): The Scandinavian 'Betrayal': Norway, Sweden and Denmark at the Nine Power Treaty Conference in Brussels, November 1937

Yu Ping Chang (Kansas State University): Beijing’s Cold War United Front: A Perspective of Chinese Mode of Human Association


Sherman Xiaogang Lai (Royal Military College of Canada) Revolution versus Realpolitik: Mao Zedong and Zhou Enlai’s Approaches to the Indochina Wars

Discussion: Audience
A2 – Struggling for Survival: Locality in the State-Building of Republican China
Location: East Falls Church
Guo Wang (Sichuan University): “Soldier-Citizen” in Southwest China in the 1910s
Nagatomi Hirayama (University of Nottingham, Ningbo, China): The Chinese Youth Party in Northeast China, 1928-1931
Qiong Liu (State University of New York at Buffalo): Reinterpreting Chinese Revolution: A Balance of Two Approaches, 1937-1945
Discussant: Leander Seah (Stetson University)

Lunch: 12:00 – 1:15 pm
Lunch provided for registered conference participants, in the foyer

Friday, Panel Set B
Time: 1:15 pm – 3:15 pm

B1 – Complicating the Military History of the Chinese Communist Party
Location: West Falls Church
Zhongtian Han (George Washington University): The Communist Handling of Nationalist Prisoners of War during the Chinese Civil War, 1946-1949
Lei Duan (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor): The Control of the Gun: The Communist Policies on Armed Masses in Tibet in the 1950s
Qiu Jin Hailstork (Old Dominion University): The Working Group of the Central Military Committee, 1967-1971
Discussant: Helen Schneider (Virginia Tech)

Coffee and Tea Break: 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm
In the foyer

Friday, Panel Set C
Time: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

C1 – Intellectuals, Historical Memory, and Security
Location: West Falls Church
Xiaoping Cong (University of Houston): Rethinking of the 20th Century Chinese Intellectual History --From the Perspective of Social Practice
Robert Culp (Bard College): Conquering Nature in Republican China
Yi Lu (Harvard University): Saving State Secrets and Memories in Mao’s China
Xuening Kong (State University of New York at Buffalo): Civilizing Students: History Teaching and National Mobilization in Textbooks in North China, 1920-1946
Yue (Mara) Du (New York University): Technology, Heritage, and Security: Patriotic Education on TV in Contemporary China

Discussion: Audience

C2 – Civilians: Life and Death
Location: East Falls Church
Linh Vu (Arizona State University): Commemoration, Bureaucratization, Civilianization during the War of Resistance
Dewen Zhang (Randolph-Macon College): Women and Refugee Children Relief in Guangdong Province, 1937-45
Flavia Solieri (University of Bologna, Italy): The Country-Bumpkins and the City: Safety and Well-being of City Dwellers in PLA’s Takeover of Shenyang, November 1948
Discussant: Rebecca Nedostup (Brown University)

Reception: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
In the foyer of the conference venue
Light refreshments, including wine and beer

Dinner: On your own
A list of some nearby restaurants is available in your conference packet

Day 2
Saturday August 4:
Breakfast available from 8:30 am
In the foyer of the conference venue

Saturday, Panel Set D
Time: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

D1 - Strengthening Social Control: The Role of Journalism and Mobilization during the Chinese Social and National Crises
Location: East Falls Church
Timothy B. Weston (University of Colorado, Boulder): The State Encounters the Press: The Case of Jinghua ribao in 1900s Beijing
Qingjun Liu (University of Sydney): Reinterpreting the Sino-Japanese War: The Southwest Shanxi Base Area in North China, 1939-1940
Yi Wang (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences): The Compressed Space for Independent Press: the Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury from Pre-war Shanghai to the ‘Isolated Island’

Discussion Moderator: Timothy Weston

D2 - Food and Economic Security
Location: West Falls Church
Emily M. Hill (Queen's University): Food Security in China since the 1930s
Seung-joon Lee (National University of Singapore): Food Industry and the Politics of Eating in Republican Shanghai
Sophia Lee (California State University, East Bay): In Search of Economic Security in Occupied Beijing: Views from Funü zazhi
Discussant: Kristin Stapleton (University at Buffalo)

Coffee and Tea Break: 11:00-11:15
In the foyer

Roundtable: Sources of/for the post-1949 History of China
Saturday, 11:15 am – 12:45 pm
Location: West Falls Church
Charles Kraus (Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars): Accessing the Inaccessible: Chinese Archives and PRC History
Matthew Wills (University of California, San Diego): Methodological and Ethical Issues Surrounding Sources on PRC History
Remotely via zoom:
Steven Pieragastini (Boston College): Reading between the Lines: The Promise and Perils of Published Sources for PRC History

Saturday Afternoon Lunch
1:00 pm -2:30 pm Networking Lunch, Sponsored by Twentieth-Century China
Bangkok Bistro, 715 North Glebe Road

2:30 Bus departure for visit to Tu Zuochao Exhibition
A mid-size passenger bus will depart from the Bangkok Bistro at 2:30 to go to the Tu Zuochao Exhibition. (Parking on site is limited, if you plan on driving your own car please let Helen or Faith know)

Tu Exhibition Visit
3:00 pm -5:00 pm
Light refreshments will be provided by our hosts, Tu Shenghua and his family
Tu Zuochao, a longtime member of the Chinese Communist Party, conducted underground work and intelligence activities beginning in the 1920s. The Exhibition is located in the Tu home, and includes more than a thousand items, many of which have English and Chinese explanations. A guide to the exhibition, prepared by Tu Shenghua, is available in your conference packet.

**The bus returning to Ballston Holiday Inn will depart the Tu Exhibit at 5:00.**
If you came on the bus and plan on returning by other means, or if you came by other means and would like to return on the bus, please let Helen or Faith know.

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