

CALL FOR SESSIONS, PAPERS, POSTERS

**New Sweden 375th Anniversary Conference
and
Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology Annual Conference:
Encountering 'Others' in the Atlantic World: Perspectives from the Material World**

8-10 November 2013



University of Delaware
Newark, Delaware
And
Lund University
Lund, Sweden

The year 2013 marks the 375th anniversary of the colony of New Sweden, founded in 1638 in the Delaware Valley in North America's Middle Atlantic coastal region. Investors and the Swedish Crown intended the settlement to become a profitable station for the tobacco and beaver pelt trade, a rich source for valuable metals and natural resources, and an overseas extension of the Kingdom of Sweden. With its socially and culturally mixed population, transplanted social tensions, traditions, faith and languages, New Sweden became, in part, an extension of 17th-century Sweden. The colonial setting, environmental and cultural differences, and meeting with several 'others'—people, objects, practices, foods and environments—was transformative. In America the settlers confronted demographically dominant Algonquian and Iroquoian groups, their worldviews and values. To Lenape and Susquehannocks the Europeans were the ultimate 'others'.

The anniversary is an occasion to revisit the history of the colony and contemporary Sweden. The conference will be an international forum on comparative colonialism that will also serve as the annual meeting of the [Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology](#) and the New Sweden History Conference. The conference focus is the cultural consequences of meeting with the 'other' and the construction of otherness in the early modern Atlantic World, with special attention to Sweden, New Sweden and other contemporary North American colonies. Topics of interest include ethnic diversity in 17th and 18th century Sweden and the colonies; the ways otherness and sameness were perceived and created materially and ideologically; the inanimate 'other': new objects and ideas coming to New Sweden from abroad and other colonies, and the ways they were perceived and appropriated. Highlighting otherness requires attention also to the familiar fabrics of everyday life in 16th – 17th century Scandinavia, western Europe, and Lenapehocking, especially the material conditions that dictated the conduct of daily life in the diverse landscapes of New Sweden and the North Atlantic American coast.

Abstracts for papers, sessions, and posters are sought that address:

- Defining otherness and sameness in the early modern period. Impact of travel and colonial expansion in the North and outside of Europe on the construction of the ‘other’;
- History and archaeology of New Sweden, the 1638-1655, its European background, and its legacy into the early 19th century;
- Creation of new cultural practices and identities in the dynamic environments of New Sweden and contemporary North Atlantic American colonies;
- Material culture studies of comparative colonialism in the North Atlantic World;
- Heritage studies of the legacy of New Sweden today in Sweden and the United States;
- Historical archaeology in northeastern U.S. and Canada

Please refer to the attached form for abstract submission instructions for sessions and individual papers. Email submissions to Craig Lukezic, Co-Conference Chair, at craig.lukezic@state.de.us. Session organizers and authors should complete the form, submit an abstract of no more than 150 words that clearly describes the purpose of the research, the significance of the work, and a summary of the results, and append a current cv or resume.

Submission deadlines are as follows:

1 March: Sessions and individual paper proposals for the Swedish Colonialism/ New Sweden conference track

1 April: Other complete session proposals

1 May: Individual paper proposals

The 18th CNEHA Student Paper Competition will be held on November 9, 2013. The Competition is open to all student members of CNEHA. The completed paper registration form and an abstract should be sent to craig.lukezic@state.de.edu by 1 May. Additionally, a copy of the completed form and abstract must be sent to Nancy Brighton (njbrighton@yahoo.com) by no later than October 1, 2013.

The 2013 New Sweden Conference is organized as a collaborative effort by the American Swedish Historical Museum, Council for Northeast Historical Archaeology, Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, Delaware Historical Society, Kalmar Nyckel Foundation, McNeil Center for Early American Studies (University of Pennsylvania), Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Tribal Nation, Old Swedes Foundation, Swedish Colonial Society, and the University of Delaware. It will be held jointly via live video-connections with a conference on “**Encountering the ‘Other’-- Understanding Oneself: Colonialism, Ethnic Diversity and Everyday Life in Early Modern Sweden and New Sweden**” organized by Lund University’s Department of Archaeology and Ancient History, Historical Museum, and University Library, The sessions will be recorded and available to the public.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM
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University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware and Lund University, Lund, Sweden,
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Papers are limited to **20 minutes** and will be followed by a five-minute question and answer period.

DEADLINE FOR PAPER/SESSION ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS:

New Sweden 375 th Anniversary Sessions	March 1, 2013
CNEHA Annual Meeting: Session Proposals	April 1, 2013
Individual Paper Proposals	May 1, 2013

Name: _____
Affiliation: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Prov. _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____
Phone (day): _____ Fax: _____
E-Mail: _____
Paper/Poster Title: _____

Presenter's Name (Senior Author)*: _____
Co-Author(s) _____

If your presentation is part of an organized session, enter the name(s) of the organizer (s):

Abstract: Submit abstract (150-word maximum) on attached page, identified by title and author. Include author cv. E-mail abstract in Word to Craig Lukezic, Co-Conference Chair, at craig.lukezic@state.de.us. Note any special audiovisual needs (carousel projectors, LCD projectors provided).

** Please note: For the CNEHA Conference, presenters, including senior authors, must be current members of CNEHA to present a paper.*