

The New Netherland Institute

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Painting by L.F. Tantillo

Departure of the Jesuit

Neighbors in the New World: New Netherland and New France

Saturday, September 13, 2008

The New Netherland Institute announces its 31st Rensselaerswijck Seminar, a one-day conference to be held on Saturday, September 13, 2008, in the Huxley Theater of the Cultural Education Center at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, NY. The theme is the relationship between the Dutch and French in 17th-century North America. The following speakers will explore various aspects of this relationship, including direct and indirect contacts between these two European trading powers both in Europe and in the New World. Major attention will focus on interactions of these European powers and their respective Indian allies. The image is a painting by Len Tantillo depicting Isaac Jogues after his escape from the Mohawks in 1643 about to board a Dutch ship for his return to France.

Speakers

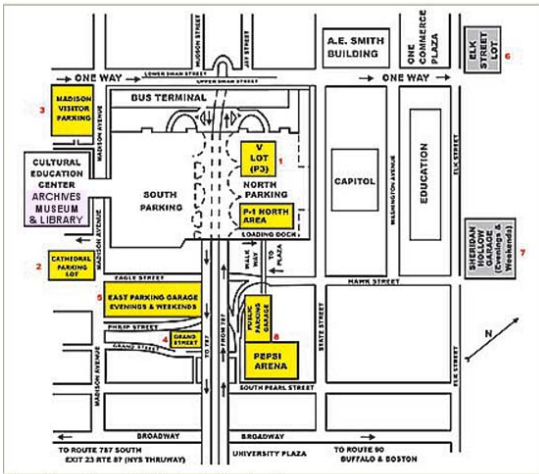
James Bradley, ArchLink, Boston, MA

José António Brandão, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI

Willem Frijhoff, Free University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands

Joyce Goodfriend, University of Denver, CO

Conrad Heidenreich, York University, Ontario, Canada



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Location: The Kenneth B. Clark Auditorium of the Cultural Education Center. The CEC is located at the southern end of the Empire State Plaza on Madison Avenue in Albany, NY.
Directions: From the south take Thruway exit 23 to 787 north. Follow signs for 20 West and Madison Avenue. From the north take Northway exit 7 to 787. Follow signs for 20 West and Madison Avenue. [Directions and map via Google.](#)
Parking: Lot entrance is on the left just past the Cathedral at the top of the hill or go to the lot on the west side of the CEC. Both lots are open and free to the public on weekends.

Program

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Clark Auditorium (CEC concourse level)
9:30 am Registration and Coffee
10:00am Introductory Remarks (Gehring)

Morning Program:

10:30 am “An Unreasonable Offer: Iroquois Policy towards their Huron and Mahican Neighbors” (Brandão);

“In Between Worlds: New Netherland and New France at Mid Century” (Bradley);

Break

“The Skirmish with the Mohawk on Lake Champlain: was Champlain a ‘trigger-happy thug’ or ‘just following orders?’” (Heidenreich).

Lunch

1:00 pm at “Subway” on the Terrace Gallery (4th floor) or at local restaurants (t.b.a.) in the neighborhood. Prepaid boxes lunches may be [ordered.](#)

Afternoon Program:

2:30 pm Introduction and presentation of the Hendricks Manuscript Award (Goodfriend).

“Jesuits, Calvinists, and Natives: Attitudes, Agency, and Encounters in the Early Christian Missions in the North.” (Frijhoff).

5:00 Cocktail Party on the 4th floor and NNI Dinner (additional cost).