**Colonial Society of Massachusetts**

**Graduate Student Forum 27 April 2012**

**Panel 1. Natural History of New England in War and Peace 9 am**

**Emily Kolmodin Romeo** University of Chicago *Women at War in Colonial New England*

**Tricia R. Peone** University of New Hampshire*'Our American World': Cotton Mather and the Decline of the Preternatural*

**Kate Mulry,** New York University, *‘Of Englands Interest and Improvement’: Natural Knowledge and Imperial Schemes, 1660-1688*

Comment: **Martha J. McNamara**, Wellesley College

**Panel 2. New England Foundations of American Slavery 10:40 -12**

**Kate Freedman** University of Massachusetts,, *Capitalism and Kinship:*

*Family, Faith, and Slavery in the Anglo-Atlantic World, 1641 – 1834*

**Nicole Saffold Maskiell** Cornell,*‘A mighty Smile of Heaven upon my Family’: Slavery and gift exchange.*

**Matthew Spooner,** Columbia, *Origins of the Old South: The Reconstitution of Southern*

*Slavery, 1776-1808*

Comment: **Robert Hall**, Northeastern University

**Panel 3. Making Friends in Colonial New England 1-2:40**

**Ross Newton**, Northeastern, *Patrons, Politics, and Pews: Boston Anglicans and the shaping of the British Atlantic, 1686-1787*

**Samuel Biagetti,** Columbia, *The Unfinished Temple: The Rhode Island Freemasons and the Masonic World, 1749-1803*

**Jill Sharon Bouchillon** University of Stirling**,** *Friendship Networks of John and Abigail Adams*

Comment: **Jane Kamensky**, Brandeis University

**Closing Reflections 3 pm**

**Jack Greene**

Johns Hopkins University

*Reformulating Englishness: Cultural Adaptation and Provinciality in the Construction of Corporate Identity in Colonial British America*.

**All Sessions will take place at Suffolk University, 73 Tremont Street, 10th floor.**