**9 am Nature in Early America**

**Hannah Anderson** *University of Pennsylvania*

Lived Botany: Households, Ecological Adaptation and the Origins of Settler Colonialism in Early British North America

**Zachary Bennett** *Rutgers University*

Flowing Power: Rivers, Energy, and the Transformation of New England, 1600–1800

**Whitney Barlow Robles** *Harvard,*

Curious Species: How Animals Made Natural History, 1700-1820

*Comment:* **Thomas M. Paine**, *founder, Boston !NSP!RES*, *author,* *Cities with Heart* (2015)

**10:30 am Religion and Politics and Early America**

**Tyler Rotter** *University of Southern Mississippi*

‘A Firme and Perpetuall League’?: Reevaluating Religion, Politics, and War in Early New England, 1630-1690

**Ryan G. Tobler** *Harvard*

Purity in the Ordinances: John Cotton, Puritan Emigration, and the Politics of Religious Practice.

*Comment***: James F. Cooper***, Congregational Library*

**11:30 to 12:30 Lunch**

**12:30 Political Thought in the New Republic**

**Deborah Charnoff** *The Graduate Center, City University of New York*

Men Set on Fire: Algernon Sidney, John Adams and Anglo-American Republicanism

**Asaf Almog** *University of Virginia*

Timothy Pickering on Race and Slavery: looking for a Conservative National Consensus in the Early Republic

*Comment:* **Mary Sarah Bilder,** *Founders Professor of Law, Boston College*

**1:30 Envisioning Americans**

**Deborah A. Fisher** *Penn State*

The Colonial American Janus - Mythological Characters in John Singleton Copley's portraits."

**Janine Yorimoto Boldt** *William and Mary*

The Art of Plantation Authority: Domestic Portraiture in Colonial Virginia

*Comment:* **Jane Kamensky***, Professor of History, Carl and Lily Pforzheimer Foundation*

*Director of the Schlesinger Library, Harvard*

**3 pm Reflections:**

**David Hackett Fischer**, *University Professor and Earl Warren Professor of History, Brandeis*