

Call for Papers

SUSTAINABLE CITIES?

Fifth Biennial Urban History Association Conference

Las Vegas, Nevada

October 20–23, 2010

The Program Committee seeks submissions for panels, roundtable discussions, and individual papers on all aspects of urban, suburban, and metropolitan history for the Fifth Biennial Urban History Association Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 20–23, 2010. The local host is the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

While “sustainability” has often been defined as planning for the future, we will be investigating the history of urban futures across many time periods in many metropolitan areas and many countries. We encourage submissions on questions of land use, energy, space, place, the built environment, and the natural environment in historical perspective. We would like sessions on the host city, Las Vegas, and its history of rapid, expansive growth. We welcome sessions on the history of urbanization in North America, as well as Latin America, Europe, Asia, Australia, and Africa, in ancient and pre-modern as well as modern periods.

Beyond the theme of the conference, the committee encourages all types of historical analyses, including:

Work on qualitative research methods across urban history and the social sciences

Work on digital humanities, geography, GIS mapping, and photography

Comparative, regional, transnational studies

Work focusing on race, gender, class, and space

Research on architecture, the environment, technology, and science

Presentations on historic preservation including small cities and towns

Sessions that revisit classic works of urban and suburban history

And more

Preference will be given to complete panels. Panel proposals should designate a single person as contact and include a brief explanation of the overall theme as well as one-page abstracts of each paper and a 250-word biography for each participant. Round table proposals follow this format but organizers should submit one page on the theme and a 250-word biography for each presenter. Those submitting an individual paper, please include a one-page abstract and a 250- word biography. Submissions are due February 1, 2010 and should be sent via e-mail to Professor Janet R. Bednarek at Janet.Bednarek@notes.udayton.edu.

As part of the conference, the UHA will organize workshops for graduate students writing dissertations in urban and suburban history. Students who have written a prospectus and who wish to participate in a workshop should apply with a 2–4 page letter of interest by February 1, 2010 to [Janet.Bednarek @notes.udayton.edu](mailto:Janet.Bednarek@notes.udayton.edu).

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