Call for Presentations

Collective Memory in The Natural State: Commemoration, Preservation & Reconciliation

Arkansas Historical Association 80th Annual Conference
June 3-5, 2021
Little Rock, Arkansas

The Arkansas Historical Association (AHA) invites proposals for its eightieth annual conference, to be held in Little Rock, June 3-5, 2021. AHA seeks presentations on a broad array of topics related to collective memory, commemoration, and preservation of Arkansas’s history, including efforts to discuss, acknowledge, or repair past injustices. Subjects might also include: monuments and sites of trauma; childhood homes and memories; tourism and sightseeing; burial sites; ruins and forgotten places; places of worship and religion; folkways and foodways; music and the arts; cartography, mapmaking, and placemaking; and social clubs, benevolent societies and fraternal organizations. We encourage presentations in a wide variety of fields including history, archaeology, anthropology, philosophy, psychology, sociology, literature, political science, architecture, and geography. AHA will be guided by CDC and state department of health guidelines and will transition the conference to an all-virtual format if conditions warrant.

Presentations will be limited to twenty minutes. The use of audio-visual elements is encouraged. Please send proposals of approximately 200 words to:

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Proposals should be submitted by November 15, 2020, and include a mailing address, phone number, and email address. Proposals may be submitted by email. Please contact the program chair with any questions. To participate in the conference, all presenters must be members of the Arkansas Historical Association. Membership information is at the AHA website, arkansashistoricalassociation.org.