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# **Employment**

Department of History and Art History, George Mason University, Professor, 2018-present; Associate Professor, 2010-2018; Undergraduate Director, 2014-2018; Associate Department Chair, 2020-2024.

Department of History, Utah State University, Associate Professor, 2006-2010; Assistant Professor, 2000-2006.

#### Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Ph.D. (History), 1999; M.A. (History), 1994.

Harvard University, B.A. magna cum laude, (History and Literature), 1992.

#### **Books**

- 2017 Discovering the South: One Man's Travels Through a Changing America in the 1930s, University of North Carolina Press. Companion web project: <a href="www.discoveringthesouth.org">www.discoveringthesouth.org</a>. Winner of a 2017 Family History Book Award from the North Carolina Society of Historians.
- 2006 Growing Up Jim Crow: How Black and White Southern Children Learned Race, University of North Carolina Press. Received Honorable Mention for the 2007 Outstanding Book Awards from the Gustavus Myers Center for the Study of Bigotry and Human Rights.

# Refereed journal articles

- 2020 "Lucy Randolph Mason: 'Expedient' Suffragist for Economic and Racial Justice in the South," Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, June 2020.
- 2014 "Woman Flogged: Willie Sue Blagden, the Southern Tenant Farmers Union, and how an impulse for story led to a historiographical corrective," Rethinking History: The Journal of Theory and Practice 18 (January 2014): 97-121.
- 2010 "Dixie Destinations: Rereading Jonathan Daniels's A Southerner Discovers the South," Southern Spaces: An Interdisciplinary Journal about Regions, Places, and Cultures of the American South and Their Global Connections (www.southernspaces.org), May 2010.
- 2003 "Reading, Intimacy, and the Role of Uncle Remus in White Southern Social Memory," *Journal of Southern History* 67 (August 2003), 585-622.

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### **Invited Essays and Book Chapters**

2023 "Many Southerners, Many Souths: The New Beginnings of a Regional History," in Reconsidering Regions in an Era of New Nationalism, ed. by Alexander Finkelstein and Anne Hyde, University of Nebraska Press, forthcoming.

- 2020 "From the Great Depression to the 'End of Southern History'?," co-authored with Jason Morgan Ward, in *Reinterpreting Southern Histories: Essays in Historiography*, ed. by Craig Thompson Friend and Lorri Glover, Louisiana State University Press.
- 2017 "I Knew Then Who I Was': Memory, Narrative, and Sense of Self in Autobiographies of the Jim Crow South," in Constructing the Self: Essays on Southern Life-Writing, ed. Carmen Rueda-Ramos and Susana Jiménez Placer, Universitat de València Publications.
- 2016 "Sarah Patton Boyle: A White Activist, the Black Pragmatist Who Taught Her, and the Long and the Short of the Civil Rights Movement," in Virginia Women: Their Lives and Times, vol. 2, ed. by Cynthia Kierner and Sandra Treadway, University of Georgia Press.
- 2007 "The Etiquette of Race Relations in the Jim Crow South," in Manners in Southern History from the 1860s to the 1960s, edited by Ted Ownby, University Press of Mississippi.
- 1999 "Speaking of Race: Sarah Patton Boyle and the 'T.J. Sellers Course for Backward Southern Whites,'" in Sex, Love, Race: Crossing Boundaries in North American History, edited by Martha Hodes, New York University Press, 1999.

### **Editing projects**

- 2001 The Desegregated Heart: A Virginian's Stand in Time of Transition, by Sarah Patton Boyle, reprint edition with an introduction and selected correspondence and photographs, University Press of Virginia.
- 2001 Co-editor, Remembering Jim Crow: African Americans Tell About Life in the Segregated South, New Press, 2001. Winner of a 2002 Lillian Smith Book Award from the Southern Regional Council, a 2002 Carey McWilliams Book Award from The Multicultural Review, and a Best Book of 2001 award from Library Journal.

# **Selected Fellowships and Awards**

- 2023 Center for Humanities Research fellowship, George Mason University.
- 2017 Faculty Research and Development Award, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, George Mason University.
- 2014 Nelson Research Grant, Department of History and Art History, George Mason University.
- 2010 Fellowship, National Endowment for the Humanities.