Mark Peterson reframes Boston’s early history as the story of the development of an autonomous city-state in the colonial period. He will discuss Boston and New England’s entry into the United States as contingent, not necessarily beneficial, and not the meaning or the fulfillment of its history. By recasting the story in this way, Peterson will bring to light elements of Boston’s past that United States national history has obscured, and uncover a more authentic understanding of the colonial past, attending to what was lost as well as what was produced in the making of the United States.


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