



The Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Illinois, The University of Illinois History Department, and the Newberry Library present the

Colonial History Lecture Series

Before Jamestown The Real Origins of America

Peter C. Mancall

Saturday, February 2, 2019

10:00 to 11:30 am

The Newberry, 60 W. Walton St., Chicago

In the sixteenth-century Atlantic world, nature and culture swirled in people's minds to produce fantastic images.



Join us as historian Peter Mancall reveals how Europeans and Native Americans thought about a natural world undergoing rapid change in the century following the historic voyages of Christopher Columbus. Drawing on oral history and folklore maintained for centuries by Native Americans, as well as spectacular manuscript atlases, paintings that depict on-the-spot European representations of nature, and texts that circulated imperfectly across the ocean, Dr. Mancall will explore how the encounter between the old world and the new changed the fate of millions of individuals.

After the talk, Dr. Mancall will sign copies of his new book, *Nature and Culture in the Early Modern Atlantic*, which will be available for purchase in the Newberry Rosenberg Bookshop.

Peter C. Mancall is the Andrew W. Mellon Professor of the Humanities, the Linda and Harlan Martens Director of the Early Modern Studies Institute, and Professor of History and Anthropology at the University of Southern California. He is author of numerous books, including *Fatal Journey: The Final Expedition of Henry Hudson—A Tale of Mutiny and Murder in the Arctic* and *Hakluyt's Promise: An Elizabethan's Obsession for an English America*.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Circles and Squares: Natives and Colonists and Maps

Alan Shaw Taylor

University of Virginia

Saturday, April 27, 2019

Title to Be Announced

Mark A. Peterson

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Saturday, October 26, 2019

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