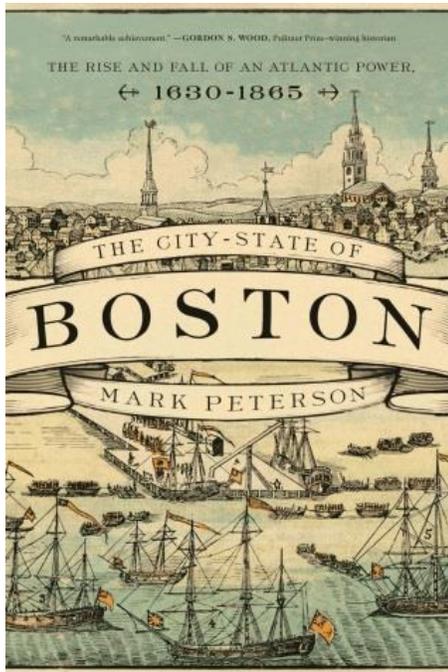


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## Colonial History Lecture Series



### ***The City-State of Boston Refiguring Colonial American History***

**Mark Peterson**

**Saturday, October 26, 2019**

**10:00 to 11:30 am**

**The Newberry, 60 W. Walton St., Chicago**

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.

**Mark Peterson** is the Edmund S. Morgan Professor of History at Yale University. His talk is based on his latest book, *The City-State of Boston: The Rise and Fall of an Atlantic Power, 1630-1865* (Princeton University Press, 2019). He is also the author of *The Price of Redemption: The Spiritual Economy of Puritan New England* (Stanford University Press, 1997).

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**Eric Hinderaker**  
University of Utah  
Saturday, April 4, 4020

**Kathleen DuVal**  
University of North Carolina  
Saturday, October 24, 2020