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EDUCATION

Ph.D. English Dept., Stanford University, June 1995

A.B. *summa cum laude*, English Dept., Univ. of California, Berkeley, June, 1987

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Current Book Project: *The Art of Surveying: Essays on Maps and Literature*

Book:

Capital Speculations: Writing and Building Washington, D.C., University Press of New England and the Center for American Places, Lebanon, NH: University of New England Press, 2005.

Articles:

“Air and Space,” in submission, Miles Orvell and Jeffrey Miekke, eds. *Public Space and the Ideology of Place in American Culture*. Rodopi Press.

“Santo Domingo or the Ambiguities,” in submission to *American Literature*.

"Washington, D.C." *American History through Literature, 1820-1870*, edited by Janet Gabler-Hover and Robert Sattelmeyer, pp. 1238-1241. Detroit: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2006.

“National Domesticity in Early Washington, D.C.” *Common-Place: Special Issue on Early Cities of the Americas*, 3.4, July 2003 <www.common-place.org>.

“George Washington’s Romance: Plotting the Federal City, 1791-1800.” *Prospects: Journal of American Cultural Studies*, 26 (Fall, 2001).

"Racial Equality Begins at Home: Frederick Douglass’ Challenge to American Domesticity," in Eleanor McD. Thompson, ed., *The American Home: Material Culture, Domestic Space, and Family Life* (Winterthur, Del.: Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum, 1998), 25-44.

"The Architecture of Manners: Henry James, Edith Wharton, and The Mount."
American Quarterly 49 (1997): 298-327.

Reprinted in Mark Taylor and Julieanna Preston, eds. *Interior Design Theory Reader*
 (London: John Wiley & Sons, 2006).

And in *ReReading the Nineteenth Century Domestic Space*, Inga Bryden and Janet
 Floyd, eds. (Manchester, UK: Manchester UP, 1999).

Talks (selected):

- 2007 "The Art of Land Surveying." Geography and the Humanities Symposium.
 Charlottesville, University of Virginia & Monticello. June 22-24.
- 2007 "The Literary Surveys of Henry David Thoreau." (invited lecture.) Thoreau
 Society Session. American Literature Association Conference. Boston. May 26.
- 2007 "The Fliegelman Effect." Fest for Jay Fliegelman. Department of English.
 Stanford University. May 20.
- 2007 Respondent, Book Colloquium: *Women's Space*, Edited by Virginia Raguin and
 Sarah Stanbury. Holy Cross. March 27.
- 2006 "Air and Space," Public Spaces and the Ideology of Place in American Culture,
 International Conference of the Bavarian American Academy, Munich,
 November. (invited lecture)
- 2006 "Lafayette Square: The Nation's Drawing Room," Smithsonian Associate Tours,
 Washington, DC, September 8-10. (invited lecture)
- 2006 "Concord On Paper: The Literary Properties of Thoreau's Land Surveys,"
 American Literature Association, San Francisco, May.
- 2006 "American Studies in New England" (invited lecture). American Studies
 Program, Fitchburg College. April 8.
- 2005 "Sightlines: The Culture and Science of Vision," Annual Conference of the New
 England American Studies Association, Worcester, September 23-24, conference
 organizer and chair.
- 2005 "Heroic Sentimentalism: Frederick Douglass and the Annexation of Santo
 Domingo," Frederick Douglass and Herman Melville: A Sesquicentennial
 Celebration, New Bedford, Mass., June.
- 2001 "Capital Speculations: How Political Reform Built Washington, D.C.," American
 Studies Association National Convention, Washington, November.

- 2001 "The Timing of Avenues and Arcades," Word and Image Conference, Worcester, Mass., June.
- 2001 "New Avenues: The Nationalizing Force Behind the Lay-Out of Washington, D.C.," New England American Studies Association Conference, Manchester, NH, April.
- 1998 "George Washington's Romance: Speculation and the Creation of Washington, and the Creation of Washington, D.C.," Group in Early Modern Cultural Studies, Annual Conference, Newport, R.I., November.
- 1997 "George Washington's Romance: Speculation, Masculine Domesticity, and the Creation of Washington, D.C.," Fall Colloquium Series, Center for Cultural Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz, October.
- 1997 "Concrete Texts: Edith Wharton's Literary Houses and Architectural Novels," Wharton Society Annual Meeting, Lenox, Massachusetts, June.
- 1997 "The Architecture of Manners: Henry James, Edith Wharton, and The Mount," American Literature Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, May.
- 1993 "A More Perfect Union: The Hay-Adams Houses, Washington, D.C.," American Studies Association Conference, Boston, November.
- 1992 "The Frederick Douglass Estate: A First American Home," Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum Conference, Winterthur, Delaware, October.

Professional Service

New England American Studies Association, President, 2005
Vice-President, 2004
Board Member, 2001-06