

LEIGH ERIC SCHMIDT

Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

Princeton University 1985-1987, Ph.D.
 Princeton University 1983-1985, M.A.
 University of California, Riverside 1979-1983, B.A., *magna cum laude*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Edward C. Mallinckrodt Distinguished University Professor in the Humanities,
 Washington University in St. Louis, 2011-

Charles Warren Professor of the History of Religion in America, Harvard
 University, 2009-2011

Agate Brown and George L. Collord Professor of Religion, 2007-2009,
 Department of Religion, Princeton University; Professor, 1998-2007; Associate
 Professor, 1995-1998; Director of Graduate Studies, 1996-1997, 1998-2000,
 2001-2002, 2005-2006; Department Chair, 2006-2009

Associate Professor, The Theological and Graduate Schools, Drew University,
 1994-1995; Assistant Professor, 1989-1994

Assistant Professor, Department of Religious Studies, University of Oregon,
 1988-1989

Visiting Fellow, Shelby Cullom Davis Center, Department of History,
 Princeton University, Fall 1994

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in the Humanities, Stanford University, 1987-1988

BOOKS

The Church of Saint Thomas Paine: A Religious History of American
 Secularism (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2021; paperback 2023).

Village Atheists: How America's Unbelievers Made Their Way in a Godly
 Nation (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2016; paperback 2018). One of
 CHOICE's Outstanding Academic Titles for 2017

Heaven's Bride: The Unprintable Life of Ida C. Craddock, American Mystic,
 Scholar, Sexologist, Martyr, and Madwoman (New York: Basic Books, 2010).

Restless Souls: The Making of American Spirituality (San Francisco: Harper, 2005; paperback, 2006); updated 2nd ed. (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2012).

Hearing Things: Religion, Illusion, and the American Enlightenment (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2000; paperback 2002). Winner of the American Academy of Religion Award for Excellence in Historical Studies, 2001; Winner of the John Hope Franklin Prize of the American Studies Association for the best book in American Studies, 2001.

Consumer Rites: The Buying and Selling of American Holidays (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1995; paperback 1997).

Holy Fairs: Scottish Communion and American Revivals in the Early Modern Period (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1989). Republished in paperback edition, with new preface as Holy Fairs: Scotland and the Making of American Revivalism (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2001). Winner of the Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize, American Society of Church History.

COAUTHOR The Religious History of America, with Edwin Scott Gaustad (San Francisco: Harper, 2002; paperback 2004).

COEDITOR Harboring Religion: Missionaries, Converts, and Sojourners, a special issue of Chebacco: Magazine of the Mount Desert Island Historical Society, coedited with R. Marie Griffith, 2019.

American Religious Liberalism, with Sally M. Promey (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2012).

Practicing Protestants: Histories of the Christian Life in America, with Laurie Maffly-Kipp and Mark Valeri (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2006).

ARTICLES AND ESSAYS

“Rethinking the Decline of a Bible Civilization,” Church History (forthcoming).

“The Religion of Secularism Reexamined,” Canopy Forum, online journal, February 2022.

“The Church of Saint Thomas Paine,” Truth Seeker 149 (May-August 2022): 32-37.

“Reframing the Story of Harvard’s Humanist Chaplaincy,” Religion and Politics, online journal, November 2021.

“‘Baptism of Ire’: Atheist Plaintiffs and Irreligious Freedom in Postwar America,” in Heather Sharkey and Jeffrey Green, eds., The Changing Terrain of Religious Freedom (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2021), 114-132, 242-246.

“Monuments to Unbelief,” in Costica Bradatan and Ed Simon, eds., The God Beat (Minneapolis: Broadleaf Books, 2021), 169-180.

“The Death of God Theology and the Birth of the SBNR Sensibility,” in William B. Parsons, ed., Being Spiritual but Not Religious: Past, Present, Future(s) (New York: Routledge, 2018), 45-56.

“Pluralism, Secularism, and Religion in Modern American History,” Modern American History 1 (March 2018): 1-5.

“Monuments to Unbelief: Atheist Museums, Satanic Temples, and Thomas Paine Statues—How Secularists Push Back Against Religion in the Public Sphere,” Aeon, online, October 2017.

“Foreword” to David Bains and Theodore Trost, eds., The Church in History: Selected Early Writings of Philip Schaff (Eugene: Wipf and Stock, 2017).

“Going Their Own Way: Village Atheists in a Changing America,” Free Inquiry 37 (February/March 2017): 28-33.

“How Distrust of Unbelievers Runs Deep in American History,” The Conversation, online, February 2017; also appeared in Salon.

“Thanksgiving, A Celebration of Inequality,” The Atlantic, online, November 2016.

“An Atheist for President?” Religion and Politics, online journal, September 2016.

“Is God Dead? A *Time* Cover Turns 50,” Religion and Politics, online journal, April 2016.

“Mormons, Freethinkers, and the Limits of Toleration,” Journal of Mormon History 40 (Spring 2014): 59-91. Reprinted in Reid L. Neilson and Matthew J. Grow, eds., From the Outside Looking In: Essays on Mormon History, Theology, and Culture (New York: Oxford University Press, 2016), 105-128.

“Religion and the Biographical Turn,” Religion and American Culture 24 (Winter 2014): 2-7.

“Portents of a Discipline: The Study of Religion before Religious Studies,” Modern Intellectual History 11 (April 2014): 211-220.

“Liberal Religion and the Enlightenment,” in The Cambridge History of Religions in America, ed. Stephen J. Stein, 3 vols. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), 1: 489-509.

“On Sympathy, Suspicion, and Studying Religion: Historical Reflections on a Doubled Inheritance,” in The Cambridge Companion to Religious Studies, ed. Robert A. Orsi (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), 17-35.

“A Society of Damned Souls: Atheism and Irreligion in the 1920s,” Perspectives in Religious Studies 38 (Summer 2011): 215-226.

“Swedenborg’s Celestial Sensorium: Angelic Authenticity, Religious Authority, and the American New Church Movement,” in The Sixth Sense Reader, ed. David M. Howes (London: Berg, 2009).

“A Religious History of American Neuroscience,” for “The Immanent Frame,” Social Science Research Council, invited contribution to online forum, June 2008.

“Religious History and the Cultural Turn,” in A Companion to American Cultural History, ed. Karen Halttunen (Oxford: Blackwell, 2008), 406-415.

“How the Graduate Study of Religion and American Culture Has Changed in the Past Decade,” Religion and American Culture 17 (Winter 2007): 13-18.

“The Aspiring Side of Religion: Nineteenth-Century Religious Liberalism and the Birth of Contemporary American Spirituality,” Spiritus 7 (Spring 2007): 89-92.

“Cosmopolitan Piety: Sympathy, Comparative Religions, and Nineteenth-Century Liberalism,” in Practicing Protestants: Histories of the Christian Life in America (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2006), 199-221.

“Spirit Wars,” Wilson Quarterly 29 (Autumn 2005): 42-48.

“The Great Reckoning: Jonathan Edwards and Ralph Waldo Emerson,” BookForum (Summer 2005): 31-32.

“In the Lab with the Dalai Lama,” Chronicle Review, 16 Dec. 2005, B10-11.

“A History of All Religions,” Journal of the Early Republic 24 (Summer 2004): 327-334. Reprinted in John Larson and Michael Morrison, eds., Whither the

Early Republic: A Forum on the Future of the Field (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2005), 177-184.

“Does the History of Theology Still Matter?” Reviews in American History 32 (March 2004): 1-6.

“Hearing Loss,” in The Auditory Culture Reader, eds. Michael Bull and Les Back (Oxford: Berg, 2004), 41-61; (London: Bloomsbury, 2016), 23-35.

“The Making of Modern ‘Mysticism,’” Journal of the American Academy of Religion 71 (June 2003): 273-302. Republished as “The Making of ‘Mysticism’ in the Anglo-American World from Henry Coventry to William James,” Blackwell Companion to Christian Mysticism, ed. Julia Lamm (Oxford: Blackwell, 2012), 252-272.

“The Decade Ahead in Scholarship,” Religion and American Culture 13 (Winter 2003): 3-8.

“Religion in the Making,” Reviews in American History 30 (December 2002): 598-603.

"Visualizing God's Silence: Oracles, the Enlightenment, and Elihu Vedder's Questioner of the Sphinx," in David Morgan and Sally Promey, eds., The Visual Culture of American Religions (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2001), 211-228.

“‘A Practical Remembrance’: Cane Ridge in Historical Memory,” Discipliana 61 (Summer 2001): 35-48.

“The Edwards Revival: Or, The Public Consequences of Exceedingly Careful Scholarship,” William and Mary Quarterly 58 (April 2001): 480-486.

“Technology and the Voice of God,” Material History of American Religion News (Winter 2001): 1-5.

"Trust and Confidence in American Religious History," in Peter Williams, ed., Companion to American Religion (London: Blackwell, 1999), 366-377.

"From Demon Possession to Magic Show: Ventriloquism, Religion, and the Enlightenment," Church History: Studies in Christianity and Culture 67 (June 1998): 274-304.

"Mixed Blessings: Christianization and Secularization," Reviews in American History 26 (December 1998): 637-643.

"Practices of Exchange: From Market Culture to Gift Economy in the Interpretation of American Religion," in David D. Hall, ed., Lived Religion in America (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1997), 69-91.

"The Easter Parade: Piety, Fashion, and Display," Religion and American Culture 4 (Summer 1994): 135-164. Reprinted in David G. Hackett, ed., Religion and American Culture: A Reader (New York: Routledge, 2003); Jon Butler and Harry S. Stout, eds., Religion in American History: A Reader (New York: Oxford University Press, 1998).

"Time, Celebration, and the Christian Year in Eighteenth-Century Evangelicalism," in Evangelicalism: Comparative Studies in Popular Protestantism in North America, the British Isles, and Beyond, 1700-1990, eds. Mark A. Noll, David W. Bebbington, and George A. Rawlyk (New York: Oxford University Press, 1994), 90-109.

"The Fashioning of a Modern Holiday, St. Valentine's Day, 1840-1870," Winterthur Portfolio: A Journal of American Material Culture 28 (Winter 1993): 209-245.

"Christianity in the Marketplace: Christmas and the Consumer Culture," Cross Currents 42 (Fall 1992): 342-356.

"The Commercialization of the Calendar: American Holidays and the Culture of Consumption, 1870-1930," Journal of American History 78 (December 1991): 887-916. Abstracted in the Chronicle of Higher Education, 29 Jan. 1992, A10, and the Wilson Quarterly 25 (Spring 1992): 120-121.

"From Arbor Day to the Environmental Sabbath: Nature, Liturgy, and American Protestantism," Harvard Theological Review 84 (no. 3 1991): 299-323. Reprinted in Doxology 9 (1992): 35-55.

"Sacramental Occasions and the Scottish Context of Presbyterian Revivalism in America," in Scotland and America in the Age of the Enlightenment, edited by Richard B. Sher and Jeffrey R. Smitten (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 1990), 65-80.

"`A Church-going People are a Dress-loving People': Clothes, Communication, and Religious Culture in Early America," Church History 58 (March 1989): 36-51. Reprinted in H. W. Bowden and P. C. Kemeny, eds., American Church History: A Reader (Nashville: Abingdon, 1998).

"`A Second and Glorious Reformation': The New Light Extremism of Andrew Crosswell," William and Mary Quarterly 43 (April 1986): 214-244. Winner of the Richard L. Morton Award for 1986.

"The Grand Prophet,' Hugh Bryan: Early Evangelicalism's Challenge to the Establishment and Slavery in the Colonial South," South Carolina Historical Magazine 87 (October 1986): 238-250. Reprinted in Katz, Murrin, and Greenberg, eds., Colonial America: Essays in Politics and Social Development (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1993).

"Church-State Relations in the Colonial South," in Church and State in America: A Bibliographical Guide, The Colonial and Early National Periods, edited by John F. Wilson (Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1986), 75-114.

Contributor, American National Biography (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), s.v. Andrew Crosswell, Samuel Finley.

Contributor, Encyclopedia of New England Culture (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2005), s.v. "Frugality."

Contributor, Dictionary of American History (New York: Scribner's 2002), s.v. "Secularization."

"Magi, Miracles, and Macy's," North Carolina Review of Books, Winter 1998, 9-12 (excerpted from Consumer Rites).

"The Birth of Religious Studies," Christian Century, 2-9 August 2000, 807-809.

"Everyday Blessings," (with photographs by John L. Merrill) Christian Century, 12-19 August 1998, 752-754.

"An Updated Miracle," Christian Century, 14 December 1994, 1197-1199.

"Piety, Commercialism, Activism: The Uses of Mother's Day," Christian Century, 8 May 1991, 522-524.

REVIEWS

Timothy Verhoeven, Secularists, Religion and Government in Nineteenth-Century America in Church History 89 (2020): 219-220.

Ryan T. Cragun, Christel Manning, and Lori L. Fazzino, eds., Organized Secularism in the United States: New Directions in Research in Journal of Ecclesiastical History 70 (2019): 681-682.

Emily Ogden, Credulity: A Cultural History of US Mesmerism in Reading Religion (July 2018) <http://readingreligion.org/books/credulity>

Mary Campbell, Charles Ellis Johnson and the Erotic Mormon Image in Mormon Studies Review 5 (2018): 89-94.

Bonnie S. Anderson, The Rabbi's Atheist Daughter: Ernestine Rose, International Feminist Pioneer in Los Angeles Review of Books (March 2017).

Margaret Bendroth, The Last Puritans: Mainline Protestants and the Power of the Past in Journal of Religion 97 (2017): 547-548.

William A. Mirola, Redeeming Time: Protestantism and Chicago's Eight-Hour Movement, 1866-1912 in American Historical Review 121 (2016): 244-245.

Keith Edward Beebe, ed., The McColloch Examinations of the Cambuslang Revival: A Critical Edition in Church History and Religious Culture 94 (2014): 576-578.

"The Father of Modern Political Cartoons," Religion and Politics, online journal, February 2013.

John Lardas Modern, Secularism in Antebellum America in Church History 82 (March 2013): 230-232.

"Oprah the Omnipotent," for "The Immanent Frame," Social Science Research Council, invited contribution to online book forum on Kathryn Lofton's Oprah: The Gospel of an Icon, May 2011.

"History and the Historyless," for "The Immanent Frame," Social Science Research Council, invited contribution to online book forum on Courtney Bender's The New Metaphysicals, January 2011.

Bethany Moreton, To Serve God and Wal-Mart in American Historical Review 115 (June 2010): 870.

Patricia A. Ward, Experimental Theology in America: Madame Guyon, Fénelon, and Their Readers in Spiritus 10 (Spring 2010): 109-111.

Laurie Stanley-Blackwell, Tokens of Grace: Cape Breton's Open-Air Communion Tradition in Journal of Presbyterian History 88 (Spring/Summer 2010): 36-37.

Charles Taylor, A Secular Age, for "The Immanent Frame: Secularism, Religion, and the Public Sphere," Social Science Research Council, invited contribution to on-line forum, November 2007.

Tomoko Masuzawa, The Invention of World Religions in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 74 (March 2006): 229-232.

Sterling Delano, Brook Farm in Journal of American History 92 (June 2005): 213-14.

Mark A. Noll, ed., God and Mammon in Journal of American History 90 (June 2003): 219-220.

“I’ve Been Reading . . . William Hutchison, et al.,” in Evangelical Studies Bulletin 20 (Spring 2003): 6-8.

Susan Mizruchi, ed., Religion and Cultural Studies in Journal of American History 89 (June 2002): 326-327.

Paul Gutjahr, An American Bible in Church History 69 (June 2000): 445-447.

Kerry Walters, Benjamin Franklin and His Gods in Journal of Religion 80 (April 2000): 327-328.

Bryan Le Beau, Jonathan Dickinson in William and Mary Quarterly 55 (April 1998): 312-313.

Robert Fuller, Religion and Wine in Journal of Religion 78 (April 1998): 337.

Richard Fenn, The Persistence of Purgatory in Theology Today 54 (April 1997): 129-130.

Colleen McDannell, Material Christianity in Christian Scholar's Review 26 (Winter 1996): 242-243.

Timothy Hall, Contested Boundaries in William and Mary Quarterly 53 (July 1996): 661-662.

Mark Y. Hanley, Beyond a Christian Commonwealth in Journal of Church and State 38 (Spring 1996): 438-439.

William Fisk, The Scottish High Church Tradition in America in Church History 65 (December 1996): 736-737.

Paul Conkin, The Uneasy Center in Catholic Historical Review (April 1996): 296-297.

William Waits, The Modern Christmas in Journal of American History 80 (March 1994): 1500-1501.

Luis N. Rivera, A Violent Evangelism: The Political and Religious Conquest of the Americas in Church History 63 (March 1994): 97-98.

Jon Pahl, Paradox Lost in Journal of Church and State 35 (Autumn 1993): 897-898.

Michael Crawford, Seasons of Grace and Russell Richey, Early American Methodism in William and Mary Quarterly 49 (July 1992): 541-544.

Paul Conkin, Cane Ridge in Journal of Southern History 59 (February 1993): 124.

J. William Frost, A Perfect Freedom: Religious Liberty in Pennsylvania in Journal of Interdisciplinary History 22 (Winter 1992): 529-530.

Jon Butler, Awash in a Sea of Faith in Journal of Church and State 32 (Autumn 1990): 882-883.

Curtis D. Johnson, Islands of Holiness: Rural Religion in Upstate New York, 1790-1860 in Methodist History 28 (April 1990): 210-211.

Milton Coalter, Jr., Gilbert Tennent, Son of Thunder in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 57 (Winter 1989): 859-861.

Richard T. Hughes, ed., The American Quest for the Primitive Church; Richard T. Hughes and C. Leonard Allen, Illusions of Innocence; Theodore Dwight Bozeman, To Live Ancient Lives in Journal of Church and State 31 (Autumn 1989): 548-550.

Marilyn J. Westerkamp, Triumph of the Laity: Scots-Irish Piety and the Great Awakening, 1625-1760 in Church History 58 (June 1989): 240-241.

John Corrigan, The Hidden Balance: Religion and the Social Theories of Charles Chauncy and Jonathan Mayhew in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 57 (Summer 1989): 393-394.

James Davison Hunter, Evangelicalism: The Coming Generation in Journal of Church and State 30 (Winter 1988): 161-162.

Clarke Garrett, Spirit Possession and Popular Religion in Journal of American Culture 10 (1987): 77-78.

Thomas J. Curry, The First Freedoms in Journal of Church and State 28 (Summer 1986): 321-322.

David S. Lovejoy, Religious Enthusiasm in the New World in Journal of Church and State 28 (Autumn 1986): 559-561.

Dickinson W. Adams, ed., Jefferson's Extracts from the Gospels in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 53 (March 1985): 144-145.

William G. McLoughlin, Cherokees and Missionaries, 1789-1839 in Journal of Church and State 27 (Winter 1985): 135-136.

Jon Butler, The Huguenots in America in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 53 (September 1985): 478-479.

Kenneth Silverman, The Life and Times of Cotton Mather in Journal of the American Academy of Religion 53 (September 1985): 516-517.

ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 2019-2020

Visiting Research Fellowship, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, Fall 2019

Faculty Mentor, Young Scholars of American Religion, IUPUI, 2016-2017

Distinguished Lecturer, Organization of American Historians, 2015

John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, 2013-2014

ACLS Fellowship, 2013-2014

Co-Director, Lilly Project, "American Christian Piety and Practice: Charting the History from Puritan Devotionalism to Baby-Boomer Spirituality," June 2001- December 2004.

ACLS Summer Fellowship, 2001

John Hope Franklin Prize, American Studies Association, 2001

AAR Award for Excellence in Historical Studies, 2001

Fellow, Shelby Cullom Davis Center, Department of History, Princeton University, Fall 1994

Summer Research Grant, Louisville Institute for the Study of Protestantism and American Culture, 1993

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers, 1991-1992

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities, Stanford University, 1987-1988

Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize, 1988

Research Grant, American Philosophical Society, 1988

Whiting Fellow, Princeton University, 1986-1987

Richard L. Morton Award, 1986

Phi Beta Kappa

Regents Scholar, University of California, 1981-1983

INVITED LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

"Rethinking the Decline of a Bible Civilization," Webinar, American Society of Church History, April 2023

Book Session on The Church of Saint Thomas Paine, American Society of Church History, Philadelphia, January 2023

“The Fathers Refounded and Refounding the Fathers,” American Academy of Religion, San Antonio, November 2021

“The Church of St. Thomas Paine: Toward a Religious History of Secularism,” Keynote, Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences, Edmonton, June 2021

“Secularism in American History,” Scott Symposium Lecture, Middlebury College, October 2019.

“Are Atheists Tolerable? American Nonbelievers and Irreligious Freedom,” Berkeley Lecture on Religious Tolerance, University of California at Berkeley, March 2018.

“American Atheists and Irreligious Freedom,” Andrea Mitchell Center for the Study of Democracy, University of Pennsylvania, November 2017.

“Liberalism versus Pluralism as Models of Interpretation,” June 2015, Fourth Biennial Conference on Religion and American Culture, Indianapolis, Proceedings at <http://raac.iupui.edu/publications/conference-proceedings/>

“Public Atheism: An American History,” Wellborn Lecture, Florida State University, October 2013; Smithsonian Institution, December 2013; University of Toronto, March 2014; University of Missouri, April 2015; Davidson Lecture, Carleton University, January 2016.

“Mormons, Freethinkers, and the Limits of Toleration,” Obert C. and Grace A. Tanner Lecture, Mormon History Association, June 2013.

“The American Invention of Spirituality,” Tipple-Vosburgh Lecture, Drew University, October 2010; Wilmer Lecture, University of Pittsburgh, April 2012.

“‘A Science of Religions,’ So-Called: The Nineteenth-Century Promises and Perils of a New Human Science,” Witherspoon Lecture, Washington University in St. Louis, November 2011.

“Religion, Liberalism, and the Enlightenment,” Kahn Lecture, Franklin and Marshall College, March 2010.

“John F. Wilson and the Academic Study of Religion,” American Society of Church History, January 2008.

“‘A Student of Phallic Antiquities’: Ida C. Craddock and the Sexual History of Religion,” University of Delaware, October 2007; Ohio State University, January 2008; University of Chicago, May 2008.

“Religion, Spirituality, Progressivism,” Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, December 2005.

“Mystics, Cosmopolitans, Seekers: Liberal Quakers and the Making of American Spirituality,” Haverford College, FAHE Plenary, June 2005.

“The History of American Christian Practice: Liberal and Transcendentalist Crossroads,” ASCH/AHA, January 2004; UNC-Chapel Hill, October 2004.

“Toward an American History of the Study of Religion,” Reflections on the Study of Religion Conference, Princeton, October 2003.

“The Making of Modern ‘Mysticism,’” Indiana University, February 2003; University of Southern California, November 2003.

“The Making of American Spirituality,” Vassar College, February 2002.

“Religious Experience after William James,” American Society of Church History, San Francisco, 2002.

“Second Pentecost or First Woodstock? The Cane Ridge Revival at 200,” University of Richmond, Annual Religion Lecture, October 2001.

“‘A Practicall Remembrance’: Cane Ridge in Historical Memory,” Reed Lecture, Lexington Theological Seminary, April 2001.

“Hearing Things,” Columbia Seminar in American Religion, March 2001.

Session on Hearing Things, American Academy of Religion, Nashville, November 2000.

“Ventriloquism, Religion, and the Enlightenment,” Colloquium in the History of Science and Technology, University of Pennsylvania, November 1999; Public Lecture, Harvard Divinity School, December 1999.

“Visualizing God's Silence: Oracles, the Enlightenment, and Elihu Vedder's Questioner of the Sphinx,” Winterthur Museum, October 1999; American Bible Society, December 2000.

“Hearing Voices: The Preacher's Calling and the Sounds of Revival,” Keynote Lecture, Trinity College, Dublin, March 1998.

Session on Consumer Rites, Annual Meeting of American Society of Church History, January 1998.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Associate Editor, Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 2017-; Editorial Board, Journal of the American Academy of Religion, 2005-2017; Editorial Board, Spiritus, 2005-2010; Advisory Board, Center for the Study of Material and Visual Cultures of Religion, Yale University, 2012-; National Advisory Committee, "Creative Encounters: Living Religions in America," Smithsonian Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage, 2020; Advisory Board, National Museum of American Religion, 2011-2017; Advisory Board, Senses and Society, 2005-2008; Editorial Board, Religion and American Culture, 2000-; Editorial Board, Practical Matters, 2010-2019; Editorial Board, Religion and Politics, 2011-; Editorial Advisor, American Yawp, 2013-2015; Editorial Board, Church History, 1995-1997; Manuscript referee for American Quarterly, Church History, Journal of American History, Religion and American Culture, Journal of the Early Republic, William and Mary Quarterly, Material Religion, Gender and History, Modern Intellectual History, Journal of the American Academy of Religion, American Nineteenth-Century History, Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era, Journal of Global History; Oxford University Press, University of Chicago Press, Harvard University Press, University Press of Virginia, Yale University Press, Princeton University Press, Cornell University Press, Columbia University Press, Penn State University Press, Smithsonian Press, University of California Press, Duke University Press, University of North Carolina Press, New York University Press, University Press of Kansas; Northwestern University Press; Indiana University Press

Consultant for: "Supernatural America: The Paranormal in American Art," Minneapolis Institute of Art; PBS *American Masters* documentary on Helen Keller; Lilly Projects on "Lay Spiritual and Theological Formation," Valparaiso University; "Lived Religion," Harvard University; "A Material History of American Religion," Columbia Theological Seminary; "Visual Culture and American Religion," University of Maryland and Valparaiso University; "Religion and the Divided Frontier," Indiana Historical Society; "God in America," PBS series

External Review Committees for Departments, Graduate Programs, and Institutes: Duke University, Emory University, Rice University, UNC Chapel Hill, Yale University

Media appearances (online and print journalism, radio, podcasts, etc.): "Religious Studies Project," "New Books on Secularism," "The Way of Improvement Leads Home," and "American Freethought" on Church of Saint Thomas Paine; "1A," "New Books on Secularism," "Atheistically Speaking,"

“Research on Religion,” “The Friendly Atheist,” “The Way of Improvement Leads Home,” “Freethought Radio,” “Point of Inquiry,” and “Maxwell Institute for Religious Scholarship,” on Village Atheists; The History Channel; “Talk of the Nation,” “Talking History,” “Voice of America,” and “Religion Matters,” on Consumer Rites; “Odyssey” and “The Connection,” on Hearing Things; “Interfaith Voices,” “On Point,” “The Book Show,” “In the Spirit,” and “America Off-Line,” on Restless Souls; “All Things Considered,” “John Batchelor Show,” “Bob Edwards Show,” “BackStory with the American History Guys,” Belief.net, Rorotoko, and Religion Dispatches, on Heaven’s Bride; interviews on American religion and culture for The Atlantic, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Christian Science Monitor, Chronicle of Higher Education, Washington Post, London Times, Washington Times, Trenton Times, Boston Globe, Dallas Morning News, Chicago Tribune, Hartford Courant, San Francisco Bay Guardian, U. S. News and World Report, Newsweek, Princeton Alumni Weekly, Charlotte Observer, Atlanta Constitution, Newark Star-Ledger, Erie Times-News, San Bernardino Sun, Honolulu Advertiser, Detroit Free Press, Raleigh News and Observer, Peoria Journal Star, San Diego Union Tribune, Sydsvenskan, the Associated Press, Religion News Service, among others

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion, American Historical Association, American Society of Church History, Organization of American Historians