

SHAW Conference **26 June 2026**

Provisional program

F417 - Maison de la Recherche

9h-9h30	Welcome
9h30-10h30	PANEL 1: Women’s activism and Confinement Panel Chair: Catherine Clinton – University of Texas at San Antonio
	Chelsea D. McNutt – Cornell University – “The Politics of Containment: Black Women, Respectability, and NAACP Activism in the Jim Crow South”
	Jenny Woodley - Nottingham Trent University – “Movement Widow, Memory-Keeper, Activist: Myrlie Evers-Williams and the Shadow of Medgar’s Death”
	Nicole De Silva – State University of New York at Oneonta – “Confining Consumption: Boycotts and Sanctions in the U.S. Women’s Peace Movement, 1919-1939”
10h30-10h45	Break
10h45-12h	PANEL 2: Confinement and/in slavery Panel Chair: Laura Martin – UT2J
	Beth Wilson - Cardiff University – “‘How could she realize my feelings?’: Enslaved Women’s Experiences of Childlessness and Infertility in the Antebellum South.”
	Taisha Richards – University of Bristol – “Confinement Without Walls: Sexual Exploitation, Bodily Autonomy, and Resistance in The Life of Celia Newsome”
	Nadine Barakat – University of Edinburgh – “Reconfiguring the Map: Black Women’s Narratives and the Geography of Freedom-Seeking”
	Rosie Knight – University of Sheffield – “‘Almost in prison’: Enslaved girls and confinement in enslaver households”
12h-13h30	Lunch
13h30-14h30	PANEL 3: Breaking Down Domestic Confinement Panel Chair: Aisha Djelid – Rothermere American Insitute, Oxford
	Ellen Barth - University of Muenster – “Cookbook Publishing as Political Act”
	Megan Wesling – University of California, San Diego – “Heteropessimism, TradWives, and Fourth Wave Feminism: Contradictions in Contemporary American Gender Politics”
	Emily West – University of Oxford – “Older enslaved women and food preparation: Plantation kitchens as spaces of confinement?”
14h30-14h45	Break
14h45-16h00	PANEL 4: Surveillance and Regulation Panel Chair: Megan Wesling – University of California, San Diego
	Anne Ulentin – Université Clermont Auvergne - “Gendered Confinement in the Colonial Bahamas: Surveillance, Incarceration, and the Regulation of Women, 1880s-1920s”
	Louise Dobson –University of Sussex – “Liberated Colonisers: Janet Flanner’s Critique of French Colonialism in the <i>New Yorker</i> , 1944-1954”
	Scarlett Duffill Haddon – Manchester Metropolitan University – “Navigating Power From Confined Spaces”
	Eloise Mattimoe – University of Bristol – “Pathologized Difference and Undetected Resistance: Inmate vs Psychiatrist and the Construction of Feeblemindedness Bedford Hills Reformatory for Girls 1916-1921”
16hr-16h15	Break
16hr15-17hr30	PANEL 5: Prison and Confinement Panel Chair: Olivia Wright – Leeds Beckett University
	Claire Delahaye – Université Gustave Eiffel – “Jailed for Freedom: U.S. Suffragists and the Criminalizing of Dissent, 1917-1919”
	Vivien Miller - University of Nottingham – “‘She burned her way out’: Marie Dean Arrington, Racial and Gendered Defiance, and Florida’s Death Penalty during the Abolition Years”
	Katharina Wiedlack – University of Vienna – “The Incarceration of Emma Goldman, Female Solidarity, and her Prison Critique”
	Margaret Matheson – University of Virginia – “Labor & Letters: Gender Performance and Class in a Civil War Prison”
17:30	Conference close
17h30-18h30	PhD Researchers Networking Event hosted by Louise Dobson and Laura Martin