



THE FUTURE OF FOOD STUDIES

A CONFERENCE AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 5.00–5.30 pm Registration
BARKER GREAT SPACE
- 5.30–7.00 pm GAFS Mixer & Light Refreshments
BARKER CAFE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 8.00–8.30 am Registration and Light Breakfast
BARKER GREAT SPACE
- 8.30–8.40 am Morning Welcome — *Margiana Petersen-Rockney, Harvard Food Literacy Project Coordinator*
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- 8.40–9.00 am Conference Opening — *Zachary Nowak, GAFS President*
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- 9.00–9.50 am Morning Keynote — *Fabio Parasecoli, New School*
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/// SESSION ONE 10.00–11.10 am

Victory Gardens: Cultivating More Than Produce

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- Sex in the Reeds: Disciplining Nature and Cultivating Virtue in Public Parks — *Zachary Nowak, Harvard University*
- Mr. & Mrs. Novice: How World War II's Victory Garden Efforts Catered to the Uninitiated — *Sarah Wassberg, University at Albany*
- Productive Plots: Victory Gardens and National Food Production — *Anastasia Day, University of Delaware*

The Politics of Commerce and Authority: Science, Eating, and the Body

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- What to Eat for Your Microbiota: Dietary Advice in the Probiotic Present — *Stephanie Maroney, University of California, Davis*

- John Evelyn's Acetaria: Art, Faith, and Taste in the Seventeenth Century — *Caroline Lieffers, Yale University*
- Commercial Medicinal Foods and the Eating and Digesting Body, Britain 1884-1914 — *Lisa Haushofer, Harvard University*

/// SESSION TWO 11.15–12.45 pm

The Past, Present, and Future of Food Technology

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- Food is Not Widgets: Fast Food, Technology, and Systems in Postwar America — *Alan Brody, George Mason University*
- Freedom To Want: The Politics of Food and the Projection of American Abundance in Postwar Western Europe, 1945 to 1960 — *Samantha Desroches, University of Western Ontario*
- Vocabulary and Food's Future Pasts — *Mookie Kideckel, Columbia University*
- Fracking the Farm: Tensions and Tradeoffs Between Governance, Hydraulic Fracturing, and Dairy — *Gretchen Sneegas, University of Georgia*

Food and the City: The Culture and Politics of Food Retail

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- The Regulation of Mobile Food Vending in New York City — *John Jones, New Jersey Institute of Technology*
- "Mi Pueblo no es del Pueblo": Buying and Boycotting in a California Supermarket — *Josephine Hill, University of Texas at Austin*
- The Potential of Urban Markets for the Study of Civic Cultures and City Life: Encountering People, Place, and Food in Two Marketplaces of the City of Lima, Peru — *Ana Maria Huaita Alfaro, University College London*
- The Butcher, Vintner, and Cidermaker: Crafting "Good" Food in Contemporary America — *Bradley Jones, Washington University in St. Louis*

12.45–2.15 pm Lunch break and free time

/// SESSION THREE 2.15–3.25 pm

Forks Across the Aisle: Food Studies and a Collaborative Future

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- Healthy Food Blogs: At the Crossroads of Nutrition Knowledge and Foodie Lifestyle — *Emily Contois, Brown University*
- The Disputed Deaths of Diet Doctors — *Travis Weiss, University of Wisconsin*
- Challenges, Methods, and Philosophy of Multidisciplinarity in Food Studies — *Gloria Rodriguez, New York University*

Food, Cultures, and Colonialism

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With discussant Hi'ilei Hobart, New York University

- Central Hershey: Sugar, Chocolate, and an American Company in Cuba, 1916–1946 — *Catherine Koonar, University of Toronto*
- Geographies of the Pao: Bread Baking and Circulation in 19th- and 20th-Century Bombay — *Sanchia Desouza, University of Toronto*
- Finding France in Flour: Communicating Colonial Identities in Indochina through French Baking — *Nicholas Tosaj, University of Toronto*

3.25–3.40 pm Coffee Break

/// SESSION FOUR 3.40–4.50 pm

Memory, Reclamation, and Appropriation: Food and Literature

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- Hills of Plenty: Culinary Reclamation and Sustainability in the Literature of Appalachia — *Matthew Spencer, Middle Tennessee State University*
- “Defining ‘Thug Life’ in a White Kitchen” — *Meaghan Elliott, University of New Hampshire*

At the Table: The Many Meanings of Food Consumption

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- The Wedding Meal: Cuisine of Commitment and Class — *Samantha Widder, New York University*
- Beyond Cuisine: The Social Impacts of the New Nordic Food Movement Within the Nordic Region — *Gillian MacDonald, University of Copenhagen*
- Roma Communities in Italy: The Table as a Formative Space for the Self and the Community Among Our Unknown Neighbors — *Francesca Grazioli, University of Gastronomic Sciences*

5.00–5.10 pm Keynote Introduction — *Carla Cevasco, Editor, Graduate Journal of Food Studies*

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5.10–5.55 pm Afternoon Keynote — *Joyce Chaplin, Harvard University*

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7.00–8.30 pm GAFS Mixer — The Queen’s Head Pub, Basement of Memorial Hall

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

/// SESSION FIVE 10.00–11.10 am

Food, the Nation, and Identity

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- Edgware Road: Food, Identity, and Belonging in London’s Arab Diaspora — *Sara Hefny, Brown University*
- Foodways of the Iranian Community in the Diaspora: Expression and Maintenance of National Identity in New Zealand — *Saman Hassibi and Amir Sayadabdi, University of Canterbury*
- Every Chef Needs a Grandmother: Israeli and Jewish Identity in the Israeli Cuisine — *Claudia Prieto Piastro, King’s College London*

Food (In)Security and the Food System

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- Community Food Mapping: Food Insecurity and Obesity in San Antonio, Texas — *Victoria Benavidez, University of Texas, San Antonio*

- Cartographic Communities of Locavores: Local Ideographs and Spatial Rhetoric — *Darcy Mullen, University at Albany*
- “What’s for dinner, Mom?” Considering the Relevance of Community-Based Food Initiatives for Supporting Low-Income Mothers in Feeding Their Families — *Mary Anne Martin, Trent University*

/// SESSION SIX 11.15 am–12.45 pm

Race and Gender in the Foodscape

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- Lena Richard: Pioneer in Food TV — *Ashley Rose Young, Duke University*
- Cooking, Gender, and Power: A Historical Analysis of the Origin of Shanghai “Apron Husbands” — *Qing Cai, The University of Hong Kong*
- Creole Uncanny: Embodied Nostalgia in the Vargas Dolls of New Orleans — *Theresa McCulla, Harvard University*
- If This Recipe Could Talk: Augustin’s Chicken Croquette and Philadelphia Eating Culture, 1840–1910 — *Danya Pilgrim, Yale University*

Security, Sovereignty, and the City: Transnational and Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives on Food and Urban Hunger

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- Measuring Food Insecurity in Urban Slums: A Mixed Methods Comparison of Indicators in Kampala, Uganda — *Diana Caley, New York University*
- The Urgency of Street Food: Urban Food Insecurity and the Philippine Culinary Renaissance in Marcos-Era Manila, 1965–1986 — *Adrian De Leon, University of Toronto*
- Negotiating Food Security in a Global City: Contentious Comestibles and the Politics of Satiety — *Jaclyn Rohel, New York University*
- Food, Place, and Identity: Conceptualizing Food Security with Migrants and Immigrants in Anchorage, Alaska — *Sarah Huang, Purdue University*

12.50 pm Closing Note
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ROOSTER BY ARTIST BRIAN MOCK