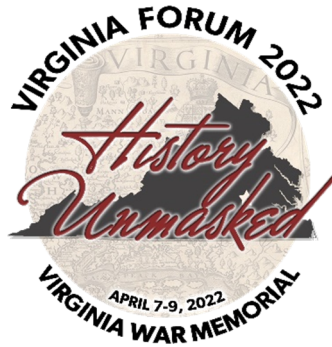


## CALL FOR PAPERS



The Virginia Forum will hold its seventeenth annual conference April 7–9, 2022, at the Virginia War Memorial in Richmond. The Virginia Forum offers an opportunity for scholars, teachers, writers, museum curators, historic site interpreters, archivists, librarians, and all those interested in Virginia history and culture to share their knowledge, research, and experiences.

The Virginia Forum is interdisciplinary, welcoming work in history, economics, politics, geography, law, literature, education, politics, environmental studies, archaeology, and anthropology. Customary panel and paper proposals on all such topics are invited, as are ones for creative presentation formats such as roundtables, workshops, demonstrations, etc. Moreover, the Virginia Forum welcomes proposals from teachers, students, and professionals outside of the academy, as well as from scholars in the early stages of their academic careers.

While the Virginia Forum welcomes proposals on any Virginia topic, each year a theme is selected to inspire proposals and prompt reflection. This year's theme "**History Unmasked**" encourages submissions regarding the dual theme of medical pandemic and social justice. This includes unmasking the history represented by people's voices, whether they be marginalized voices of the past or resounding voices heard since 2020. We are especially seeking proposals that spark conversations about public commemorations, monumental representations, changing meanings of past and current iconography, the contested interpretations of liberties and justice in Virginia, and how past and present Virginians have experienced or endured medical, social, and racial crises.

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

**Individual Papers:** Please submit a one-page paper proposal and one-page curriculum vitae in a single Word/PDF document to [VaForum@rmc.edu](mailto:VaForum@rmc.edu) by October 15, 2021. Please be sure to include your email address and other contact information.

**Panels:** Proposals for complete panel sessions, workshops, or any other presentation formats are encouraged. Submissions should include: 1) a one-page description of the whole panel or session; 2) a separate, one-page description for each individual presentation in the session; and 3) a one-page curriculum vitae for each participant, including the chairperson. Please include all

the above in a single Word/PDF document submitted to [VaForum@rmc.edu](mailto:VaForum@rmc.edu) by October 15, 2021. Please be sure to include all email addresses and other contact information.

**Chairs:** At the Virginia Forum, there are not formal commenters on panels and the chair serves to introduce the panel(ists), monitor speaking times, and moderate or facilitate the Q & A portion of the session. If you are interested in chairing a session at the 2022 Forum, please indicate your area(s) of interest and submit a one-page curriculum vitae in a single Word/PDF document to [VaForum@rmc.edu](mailto:VaForum@rmc.edu) by October 15, 2021. Please be sure to include your email address and other contact information. Past Forum participants are particularly encouraged to consider chairing a session at this meeting, as they are familiar with the convivial atmosphere that this conference seeks to cultivate.

**Timeline:** Acceptances should be forthcoming by December with a tentative schedule being announced in January 2022.

**Note on Livestreamed Sessions:** Please note that the Virginia Forum and the Virginia War Memorial plan to livestream some of the conference sessions for remote participants. *If you are not comfortable participating in a livestreamed session, please indicate that clearly in your proposal.* This is for informational purposes only to help the program committee organize sessions and indicating such will have no bearing on its decision to accept or reject your proposal.

**Contact:**

*Submit proposals* to Dr. Mathias D. Bergmann, 2022 Program Committee Chair, at [VaForum@rmc.edu](mailto:VaForum@rmc.edu).

*For general inquiries* about this meeting or the Virginia Forum, e-mail [virginiaforum@gmail.com](mailto:virginiaforum@gmail.com).

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