CALL FOR PAPERS

2017 McMullen Naval History Symposium
14-15 September 2017
U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD

The year 2017 marks several significant milestones in naval history: the centenary of the United States’ entry into the First World War, the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Midway, the 55th Anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis, the 350th anniversary of the Dutch Raid on the Medway during the Second Anglo-Dutch War, and the 35th anniversary of the Falklands War, among many others.

The History Department of the United States Naval Academy invites proposals for papers to be presented at the 2017 McMullen Naval History Symposium on these and any other topics related to American or world, naval and maritime history.

Proposals should include a one page vita and an abstract of no more than 250 words which summarizes the research and its contribution to historical knowledge. Panel proposals (made up of three presenters, a chair, and a commenter) are highly encouraged, and should include all relevant material on the presenters, as well as a one page vita for the chair and commenter.

Proposal deadline: 13 February 2017. Email proposals to navalhistorysymposium@gmail.com by midnight, 13 February. The program committee anticipates announcing a draft program by the end of April 2017; papers are due to the committee and panel chairs by 15 August 2017.

On-line registration for the conference will begin in the spring of 2017. A small number of modest travel stipends are available to graduate students and recent PhDs who do not hold a tenure-track position or full-time employment. Support for these grants comes from the generosity of the McMullen Sea Power Fund established in honor of Dr. John McMullen, USNA Class of 1940. Please indicate your desire to apply for a travel stipend with your proposal. The committee will publish a volume of proceedings in the New Interpretations of Naval History Series, containing the best papers presented, at a future date.

Further information on the 2017 McMullen Naval History Symposium will be available online at www.usna.edu/History/Symposium. Specific inquiries may be directed to the Director: Associate Professor Brian VanDeMark (vandemar@usna.edu), or Deputy Director: Commander Benjamin “BJ” Armstrong (barmstro@usna.edu).