

**2026 ANNUAL MEETING  
APRIL 23-25  
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON  
BURLINGTON, VERMONT  
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM**

run date: April 13, 2026

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# NEPSA 2026 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

## THURSDAY, APRIL 23

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REGISTRATION	5:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Presidential Foyer
WELCOME EVENT	5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	Lake Champlain Chocolates *
BOARD MEETING / DINNER	7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Kingsland
A/V PROJECTOR DEMO	10:00 PM to 10:15 PM	Emerald Ballroom Foyer **

## FRIDAY, APRIL 24

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REGISTRATION	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
BOOK EXHIBITS	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION ONE PANELS	8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	various
MORNING BREAK	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION TWO PANELS	10:15 AM to 11:45 AM	various
LUNCHEON	12:00 PM to 1:45 PM	Lake Champlain Exhibition Hall
SESSION THREE PANELS	2:00 PM to 3:30 PM	various
AFTERNOON BREAK	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION FOUR PANELS	3:45 PM to 5:15 PM	various
COCKTAIL RECEPTION	5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	Atrium

## SATURDAY, APRIL 25

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REGISTRATION	7:30 AM to 3:45 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
BOOK EXHIBITS	7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION FIVE PANELS	8:30 AM to 10:00 AM	various
MORNING BREAK	10:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION SIX PANELS	10:15 AM to 11:45 AM	various
LUNCHEON	12:00 PM to 1:45 PM	Lake Champlain Exhibition Hall
SESSION SEVEN PANELS	2:00 PM to 3:30 PM	various
AFTERNOON BREAK	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM	Diamond Ballroom Foyer
SESSION EIGHT PANELS	3:45 PM to 5:15 PM	various

\* The welcome event for the 2026 Annual Meeting is a private guided chocolate tasting, at Lake Champlain Chocolates' flagship store, 750 Pine Street. Tickets are available on the NEPSA website.

\*\* The projector demo is an optional session for anyone who wants to get a preview of how to hook up a laptop to the NEPSA projectors. This is an especially useful session for panel chairs with presenters planning on using PowerPoint, but anyone can attend. If you wish to attend, please go to the Diamond Ballroom Foyer to be directed to the breakout room where the demo will take place.

## PANELS NEEDING CHAIRS AND/OR DISCUSSANTS

DAY/TIME	PANEL	SECTION	NEED CHAIR?	NEED DISC?
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## LUNCHEON PROGRAMMING

**Friday, April 24**



### **GARRETT GRAFF**

**Bestselling historian and Pulitzer Prize finalist  
Author, The Devil Reached Toward the Sky: An Oral History  
of the Making and Unleashing of the Atomic Bomb**

**Saturday, April 25**



**The Honorable**

### **MYRNA PÉREZ**

**United States Circuit Court Judge,  
Second Circuit Court of Appeals**

Tickets for the luncheons may be purchased with conference registration, or they may be purchased separately at <https://www.newenglandpsa.org/2026extraluncheons>.

## THE 2026 ANNUAL MEETING

### **1-A (EMERALD1): US Foreign Policy**

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**Tobias T. Gibson, Westminster College (MO), [tobias.gibson@westminster-mo.edu](mailto:tobias.gibson@westminster-mo.edu)**

*Biden, Congress, and the Battle Over Supporting Ukraine*

**Joseph Peschek, Hamline University, [jpeschek@hamline.edu](mailto:jpeschek@hamline.edu)**

*Trump 2.0: Is There a Trump Doctrine in Foreign Policy?*

**Shyam Sriram, Canisius University, [srirams@canisius.edu](mailto:srirams@canisius.edu)**

*"White Light/ White Heat: South African Immigrants Assess the Arrival of Afrikaner Refugees"*

**Samantha Taylor, Johns Hopkins University, [samanthaataylorphd@gmail.com](mailto:samanthaataylorphd@gmail.com)**

*Post Cold War American Liberal Internationalism and US Policy Decision-Making*

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### **1-B (EMERALD2): Alliances and International Regimes in Changing Global Contexts**

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**Cora Caton, University of Maine, [cora.caton@maine.edu](mailto:cora.caton@maine.edu)**

*Economic Anxiety without Coalitions: Artificial Intelligence and Distributional Politics*

**Hyunsup Ko, Syracuse University, [hko101@syr.edu](mailto:hko101@syr.edu)**

*Alliance Cohesion as Deterrent Signaling: Evidence from U.S.–ROK Policy Alignment and North Korean Provocations*

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**1-C (EMERALD3): Judicial Selection and Identities**

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*Donald Trump's 2016 List of Supreme Court Nominees*

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**Michael Strawbridge, Washington University in St. Louis, [strawbridge@wustl.edu](mailto:strawbridge@wustl.edu)**

*Bias and the Public's Assessment of Supreme Court Appointments*

**Kenneth Manning, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, [kmanning@umassd.edu](mailto:kmanning@umassd.edu)**

*Judicial Appointments in the Second Trump Administration: A Tentative First Look*

**Teena Wilhelm, University of Georgia, [twilhelm@uga.edu](mailto:twilhelm@uga.edu)**

**Joshua Baldwin, University of Georgia, [jdbaldwin@uga.edu](mailto:jdbaldwin@uga.edu)**

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*Gender, Race, and the Criminal Justice Priorities of State Chief Justices*

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**1-D (DIAMOND1): Small States, Shared Traditions: Governing and Participating in New England**

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**Carolyn Arcand, University of Southern Maine, [carolyn.arcand@maine.edu](mailto:carolyn.arcand@maine.edu)**

*Exploring Methods used to Engage Maine Residents in Municipal Public Meetings*

**Stevent Cleto Garcia, University of Rhode Island, [steventcleto@gmail.com](mailto:steventcleto@gmail.com)**

*Capital Projects vs. Community Needs: Participation, Power, and Institutional Design in Rhode Island Capital Planning*

**Aaron Ley, University of Rhode Island, [ajley@uri.edu](mailto:ajley@uri.edu)**

**Brendan Mark, University of Rhode Island, [skipmark@uri.edu](mailto:skipmark@uri.edu)**

*Stakeholder Perceptions of Climate Resilience Policy Instruments in Rhode Island*

**David Rovinsky, United States Department of State, [david@rovinsky.net](mailto:david@rovinsky.net)**

*Smallness, Dependence, and Flow: Rethinking Vermont*

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**Ethan Walz, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [ebwalz@umass.edu](mailto:ebwalz@umass.edu)**

*The Conservative Countercurrent: Young Republican Women and the New Gender–Generational Divide*

**Jennifer Lucas, Saint Anselm College, [jlucas@anselm.edu](mailto:jlucas@anselm.edu)**

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*Change and Stability in Older Voters Attitudes*

**Tatishe Nteta, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [nteta@umass.edu](mailto:nteta@umass.edu)**

*The Not Like Us? Veterans, Hostile Sexism, and Vote Choice in American Presidential Elections*

**Jesse Rhodes, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [jrhodes@polsci.umass.edu](mailto:jrhodes@polsci.umass.edu)**

**Adam Eichen, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [aeichen@umass.edu](mailto:aeichen@umass.edu)**

*Is there a Gender Penalty in Evaluations of Aging Elected Officials? Evidence from a Survey Experiment*

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**1-F (KINGSLAND): Conflicts for the Ages**

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*Mythos for Medieval Martyrs: Politics of Martyrdom in The Consolation of Philosophy*

**Alejandro Cuadrado, Bowdoin College, [a.cuadrado@bowdoin.edu](mailto:a.cuadrado@bowdoin.edu)**

*Citizens of the Divided City: Dante's Concept of Diachronic Citizenship as a Remedy for Factionalism*

**Maxwell Lykins, Bowdoin College, [m.lykins@bowdoin.edu](mailto:m.lykins@bowdoin.edu)**

*The Demos Liberation Front: Class Warfare in Aristotle's Politics 4-7*

**John Colman, Ave Maria University, [john.colman@avemaria.edu](mailto:john.colman@avemaria.edu)**

*Montaigne's Discovery of Ancient Exotericism*

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**1-G (SHELBURNE): ROUNDTABLE: Author Meets Readers: *Pre-Existing Conditions*, by Alex Garlick**  
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**1-H (VALCOUR): ROUNDTABLE: Author Meets Readers: *Born Equal*, by Akhil Reed Amar**  
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**2-A (EMERALD1): Political Communication and Media**

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*Filtering the Facts: Partisan Identity and Resistance to Misinformation*

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*Divided by Truth: Legislative Consequences of Presidential Signaling on Social Media*

**William Mayer, Northeastern University, [wgmayer@erols.com](mailto:wgmayer@erols.com)**

*The Seventh American Party System: The Realignment That Nobody Noticed*

**Jesse Usher Barrett, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [jusherbarret@umass.edu](mailto:jusherbarret@umass.edu)**

**Donald Snyder, University of Massachusetts Amherst, [desnyder@umass.edu](mailto:desnyder@umass.edu)**

*Encounters With Law Enforcement: Utilizing Review Text as a Measurement of Police Contact*

**Madison Witaconis, Simmons University, [madd.witaconis@simmons.edu](mailto:madd.witaconis@simmons.edu)**

*Writing on the Wall: The Political & Linguistic Dimensions of Boston Graffiti*

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**2-B (EMERALD2): War and Security**

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*Imagining the Future of War: KM Panikkar's Strategic Thinking*

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*Celebrity as Security Actor: Taylor Swift and the Politics of Protection*

**Daniel Post, United States Naval War College, [daniel.post@usnwc.edu](mailto:daniel.post@usnwc.edu)**

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*"Choosing to use nuclear weapons: How choice sets affect decisions in a nuclear crisis"*

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**2-C (EMERALD3): Comparative Law and Courts**

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*Pre-trial incarceration and the Chilean criminal justice reform*

**Camila Castro, University at Albany, SUNY, [cdcastro@albany.edu](mailto:cdcastro@albany.edu)**

*Judicial Impacts of 'Operação Acolhida' (Operation Welcome): The role of Legal Decision-Making in Brazil in Humanitarian Actions*

**Tassiana Moura de Oliveira, University at Albany, SUNY, [tmouradeoliveira@albany.edu](mailto:tmouradeoliveira@albany.edu)**

*Environmental Injustice and Anti-Crime Governance: Are Courts Ignoring Environmental Harm in Brazil's Favelas?*

**Gabriel Rojas-Salazar, University at Albany, SUNY, [grojas@albany.edu](mailto:grojas@albany.edu)**

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*Electing Judges: Perspectives from the Judiciary in Mexico*

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**2-D (DIAMOND1): How the State Makes Sense of Itself: Authority, Accountability, and Public Engagement**

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*Retributive Enforcement and Uncooperative Federalism: Is ICE Targeting Sanctuary Jurisdictions?*

**Adam Cucchiara, United States Military Academy, [adam.cucchiara@westpoint.edu](mailto:adam.cucchiara@westpoint.edu)**

*Beyond Body Counts: Organizational Effectiveness During Rapid Security Expansion*

**Mneesha Gellman, Emerson College, [mneesha\\_gellman@emerson.edu](mailto:mneesha_gellman@emerson.edu)**

**Janice Gallagher, ???**

*CholoTech: Call Centers and Deported People in the Circular Migration of Predatory Capitalism*

**Hyesang Noh, University at Albany, SUNY, [hnoh2@albany.edu](mailto:hnoh2@albany.edu)**

*Who Comments and What Narratives They Tell: Voice and Power in Immigrant Welfare Rulemaking*

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**2-E (DIAMOND2): Politics on the Edge**

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*Politics in the Social Media Age: The Dominance of Pseudo-Intimacy in Contemporary Politics*

**Michael McKinney, Independent Scholar, [MichaelJ7715@gmail.com](mailto:MichaelJ7715@gmail.com)**

*The Political Security Dilemma: A Framework of Favored Values and Forgotten Virtues in the American Political System.*

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*"ICE Removals and the Stability of Fascism: Lessons from Agamben, Deleuze, and Guattari"*

**Hisham Yousif, United States Military Academy, [hisham.yousif@westpoint.edu](mailto:hisham.yousif@westpoint.edu)**

*The Narrowing of America's Epistemic Frontier*

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**2-F (KINGSLAND): ROUNDTABLE: Author Meets Readers: *Neighborhoods Matter: How Place and People Affect Political Participation*, by Carrie LeVan**

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**2-G (SHELBURNE): ROUNDTABLE: President Trump's Constitution**

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**2-H (VALCOUR): Liberal Edges**

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*Utilitarianism in Crisis: Can Governments Still Provide “the Greatest Good for the Greatest Number” amid the Tragedy of the Commons?*

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*Spirit for Liberal Democracy*

**Kieran Mabey, Yale University, [kieran.mabey@yale.edu](mailto:kieran.mabey@yale.edu)**

*“the major part”: Popular Sovereignty in Hobbes’s Leviathan*

**Stephen Goniprow, Hillsdale College, [sgoniprow@hillsdale.edu](mailto:sgoniprow@hillsdale.edu)**

*John Rawls and Global Justice Theory*

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**2-I (WILLSBORO): Capital, Labor, and Administration in American History**

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*The Origins of Financial Citizenship: Savings Banks, Thrift, and State-Building in Nineteenth-Century United States*

**James Greer, United States Department of the Treasury, [jim\\_greer@comcast.net](mailto:jim_greer@comcast.net)**

*Institutional Foundation of the New Deal Insurance State*

**Marc Eisner, Wesleyan University, [meisner@wesleyan.edu](mailto:meisner@wesleyan.edu)**

*Deconstructing the Regulatory State: Trump, Deregulation, and the Weaponization of Regulatory Intervention*

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**2-J (AMPHITHEATER): Undergraduate Panel – Comparative Control and Resistance**

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*Crisis of Rural Governance: A Comparative Analysis of Morocco and Senegal*

**Isabel Custodio, St. Edward's University, [icustodi@stedwards.edu](mailto:icustodi@stedwards.edu)**

*BRICS Reactions to African Conflict and the New Major Power Clash*

**Brigid Hughes, Saint Anselm College, [bhughes500@anselm.edu](mailto:bhughes500@anselm.edu)**

*NGO Strategies and Corporate Response in African Mining Sectors: A Comparative Study of NGO Reports on Cobalt in the DRC and Diamonds in Sierra Leone*

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*On the Way to Virtue: A Comparison of the Pursuit of Virtue in Aristotle and Tsunetomo*

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*The Decline of Civic Formation: Elite Higher Education as a Causal Driver of Polarization in 21st Century America*

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*Navigating the Politics of Scarcity: Early Findings From a Multi-Site Study of School Closure in the US*

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*Assessing Childhood Food Security: Policy and the Pandemic in New England*

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*Cutting the Gordian Knot of Gerrymandering in the Shortest Straight Line*

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*The end of the Gérin-Lajoie doctrine? Québec's relation with Texas*

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*Canadian Soft Power and Paradiplomacy*

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*Realist or liberal? Pierre Trudeau's time as Prime Minister*

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*Why Some May Not “Just Believe Science”: A Rhetorical Examination of Disparities in Public Health Distrust within the Framework of Health Equity*

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*Exploring How Social Movements Influence the Right to Education for Undocumented Students*

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*Intoxication, Impairment, and Inconsistent Consent: Miranda's Blind Spot in Police Interrogations*

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*Connections in Layered Communities: Loaves and Fishes, New Haven*

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*When QTPOC Run, QTPOC Win: Intersectional Ambition and the Fight for State Legislative Power in America*

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*The Impact of Efficiency–Order and Welfare-based Instrumental Understandings of Democracy on Authoritarian Support: The Moderating Role of Institutional Trust*

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*The Uncomfortable Question: Addressing Sexual Violence Through a Prison Abolitionist Framework*

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*The Politics of Administrative Ease*

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