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Papers will be presented in the Noel Collection Reading Room; the plenary lecture on Friday will be in the Noel Library Assembly Room. These rooms are located on the third floor of the Noel Memorial Library on the campus of Louisiana State University in Shreveport.



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# Thursday, March 11

7 p.m.: Conference warming for Conferees, Underwriters, and their guests

### Friday, March 12

8-8:30 a.m.: Coffee

8:30 – 9:45 a.m.: Barbara Benedict, Trinity College,
Hartford, "Horrid Heroism and Mock Morality: Jane
Austen and the Critics in Northanger Abbey"
10 – 11:15 a.m.: Bonnie Blackwell, Texas Christian
University, "The Dating Experiment': A Dating Service
for the British Urban Patriciate (1742)"

### The Ruth Herring Noel Lecture

Noon — 1:15 p.m.: Paula Backscheider, Auburn University, "Hanging On and Hanging In: Women's Struggle to Participate in Public Sphere Debate"

1:15 – 2 p.m.: Lunch Break 2–3:15 p.m.: Misty Anderson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, "Can't Buy Me Love: Women, Economics, and Theology in Early Eighteenth-Century England" 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.: Devoney Looser, University of Missouri, Columbia, "Hester Lynch Piozzi: An Antiquity of Bath"

## Saturday, March 13

8:30 - 9 a.m.: Coffee

9–10:15 a.m.: Marilyn Morris, University of North Texas, "The Mind Has Sex: Aristocratic Intellectual Eroticism"

10:30 — 11:45 a.m.: Bärbel Czennia, Georg-August-Universität, Göttingen, "Daring Eccentrics: Popular Biography and Female Deviance in the Later Eighteenth Century"

Noon - 1 p.m.: Lunch

1—2:15 p.m. Diana Solomon, University of California, Santa Barbara "Mad Songs Say so Much: Anne Bracegirdle's Recovery from William Mountfort's Murder"

2:15 p.m. - Noel Collection open for browsing



