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Fort Pitt Museum to Host Fifth Annual Women's History Seminar
-Guest speakers Dr. Catherine Kerrison and Dr. Jennifer Van Horn will share presentations on 18th-century women's history-

PITTSBURGH, July 17, 2019 – The Fort Pitt Museum, part of the Smithsonian-affiliated Senator John Heinz History Center museum system, will host its fifth annual **Women's History Seminar** on **Saturday, July 27 at 10 a.m.**

In this installation of the Fort Pitt Speaker Series, two guest speakers will share presentations focused on 18th-century women's history:

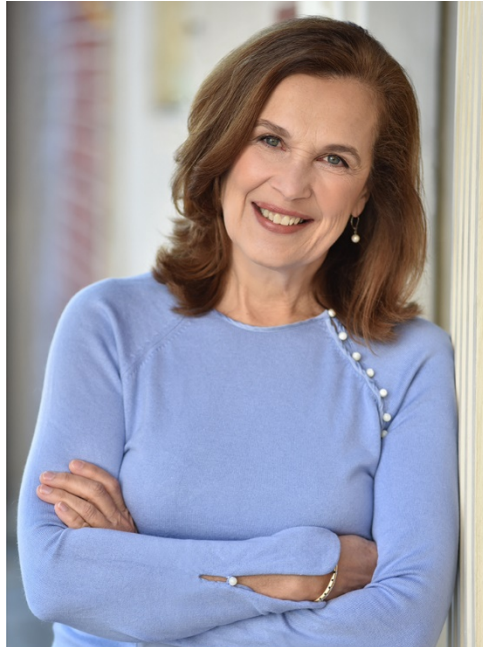
- **Dr. Catherine Kerrison**, a professor of History at Villanova University and author of "Jefferson's Daughters: Three Sisters, White and Black in a Young America," will discuss the lives of Thomas Jefferson's three daughters and the different life paths they chose. The discussion will explore the possibilities and limitations for women and people of color as a result of the American Revolution.
- **Dr. Jennifer Van Horn**, an assistant professor in Art History and History at the University of Delaware, will discuss the dangers of the dressing table and her book "The Power of Objects in Eighteenth-Century British America." Van Horn's discussion will dive into the elaborate dressing furniture used by elites in South Carolina, Virginia, and New York City and the ways Anglo-American women interacted with these unique pieces of furniture.

Admission is \$15 for the general public and \$10 for students and History Center members. Register online.

For more information on the Fort Pitt Museum's exhibits and public programs, please visit heinzhistorycenter.org/fort-pitt.

The **Fort Pitt Museum**, built in a recreated bastion of the British fort originally constructed in 1759, focuses on the critical role that Western Pennsylvania played during the French & Indian War, the American Revolution, and the founding of Pittsburgh. The Fort Pitt Museum is located in Point State Park in downtown Pittsburgh. The Senator John Heinz History Center, an affiliate

of the Smithsonian Institution, operates the Fort Pitt Museum in partnership with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC). For more information, please visit heinzhistorycenter.org/fort-pitt.



Dr. Catherine Kerrison of Villanova University will discuss the possibilities and the limitations for women and people of color as a result of the American Revolution at the Fort Pitt Museum's fifth annual Women's History Seminar on Saturday, July 27 at 10 a.m.



Dr. Jennifer Van Horn of the University of Delaware will dive into the elaborate dressing furniture of the elites during the Women's History Seminar at the Fort Pitt Museum on July 27.

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