

Polish American Historical Association Announces its 75th Anniversary Conference in Chicago, IL



The 75th Anniversary Conference at Loyola University Chicago, partially funded by the Senate of the Republic of Poland and organized in association with the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences will be held on September 7- 9, 2018 in Chicago, Illinois.

Los Angeles, July 14, 2018 – On September 7-9, 2018, PAHA will be celebrating its 75th Anniversary. The Association is planning a three-day event to take place at Loyola University in Chicago. The director of the Polish Studies Program at Loyola, Bozena Nowicki McLees, will serve as host to PAHA and its guests at the conference venue located right on the waterfront of Lake Michigan. In addition to Loyola University Chicago, the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences (Kraków, Poland) is a proud partner to this event - which is partially funded by the Senate of the Republic of Poland.

The three-day conference will begin with the keynote address by Prof. John Bukowczyk of Wayne State University, “PAHA within the field of United States’ ethnic history - past, present and future.” The Friday program will include academic sessions related to PAHA’s contribution to the fields of migration and ethnic studies (including the association’s journal, *Polish American Studies*), the association’s current research as well as community outreach projects. You will hear from some of the most prominent PAHA’s scholars - of all generations.

The Saturday sessions will be dedicated to Polish American issues and will include a local Polonia roundtable. Prof. Dominic Pacyga, the key PAHA expert on the history of Chicago, will chair a session on Polish American history in Museums - both in the USA and in Poland. There will be plenty of opportunities for PAHA scholars to meet, interact and plan future programs with members of American Polonia. The conference will be rounded up with a Chicago Tour, Loyola University special collection tour, and a Saturday night concert at Mundelein Center, Loyola University Chicago.

ORGANIZERS: Polish American Historical Association; Polish Studies Program at Loyola University Chicago; Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences (PAU); Institute of American Studies and Polish Diaspora, Faculty of International and Political Studies at the Jagiellonian University; Committee for Migration Studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences (PAN).

REGISTRATION is free, but you need to register for the whole conference or specific sessions:
<http://polishamericanstudies.org/files/public/Registration75YearsPAHA.pdf>

PROGRAM: The PDF version of our program brochure is available on the PAHA website:
<http://polishamericanstudies.org/files/public/PAHA75ProgramBrochure.pdf>

About PAHA: The Polish American Historical Association is a non-profit, tax-exempt, interdisciplinary organization devoted to the study of Polish American history and culture as part of the larger Polish diaspora. Founded in 1942 as part of the Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America, PAHA became an autonomous scholarly society in 1948 and is an affiliate of the American Historical Association. PAHA Membership is open to all individuals interested in the fields of Polish American history and culture, and immigration studies.

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