



PIVOTAL U.S. ELECTIONS, 1800–1876 · HOUSTON
 Thursday, September 27, 2018

HUMANITIES TEXAS TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP
 Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens • 6003 Memorial Drive • Houston, Texas

7:30–8:15 a.m.	Check-in & breakfast
8:15–8:30 a.m.	Welcome & opening remarks
8:30–9:15 a.m.	The Election of 1800 <i>John B. Boles, Rice University</i>
9:20–10:05 a.m.	The Elections of 1824 and 1828 <i>Daniel Feller, University of Tennessee</i>
10:05–10:25 a.m.	Break & group photo
10:25–10:35 a.m.	Humanities Texas educational resources
10:35–11:20 a.m.	The Election of 1860 <i>Jennifer L. Weber, University of Kansas</i>
11:25 a.m.–12:10 p.m.	The Election of 1876 <i>Michael Les Benedict, The Ohio State University</i>
12:10–1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00–3:15 p.m.	Primary source seminars
3:15–3:30 p.m.	Closing announcements

Image: *Dividing the National Map*. Cincinnati, 1860. Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress.

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FEATURED SCHOLARS

MICHAEL LES BENEDICT is professor emeritus at The Ohio State University, where he taught in the history department from 1975–2005 and currently works as a visiting scholar in the Mortiz College of Law. He received his BA and MA from the University of Illinois and his PhD from Rice University. He has been a visiting professor at MIT, Yale Law School, the University of Sussex in the United Kingdom, and Hokkaido and Doshisha Universities in Japan. Benedict is a recognized authority in Anglo American constitutional and legal history, the history of civil rights and liberties, the federal system, the Civil War, and Reconstruction. He has published over forty essays in leading American history and law journals in addition to half a dozen history books and textbooks. He served for thirty years as Parliamentarian of the American Historical Association before retiring this year and is currently working on the constitutional politics of the Reconstruction era.

JOHN B. BOLES, the William Pettus Hobby Professor of History at Rice University and recently retired editor of the *Journal of Southern History*, received his undergraduate training at Rice (BA, 1965) and his doctorate from the University of Virginia (PhD, 1969), where he was a Thomas Jefferson Foundation Fellow and a Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellow. He later held an N.E.H. postdoctoral fellowship in anthropology at Johns Hopkins University. He is the author of eleven books, including *Jefferson: Architect of American Liberty* (2017), and the editor or coeditor of twelve other books. He has also written many reviews and articles and spoken widely on history, editing, and teaching, and for years he directed a large graduate training program in southern history at Rice, where he has been honored with a number of prestigious awards. He has also taught as a visiting professor at Baylor University and the University of Leipzig in Germany. He is a member of the Houston Philosophical Society, the Philosophical Society of Texas, and the Southern Historical Association.

DANIEL FELLER is professor of history, distinguished professor in the humanities, and editor/director of *The Papers of Andrew Jackson* at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He received his PhD from the University of Wisconsin and taught previously at Northland College and the University of New Mexico. His books include *The Jacksonian Promise: America, 1815–1840*, *The Public Lands in Jacksonian Politics*, and four volumes of *The Papers of Andrew Jackson* covering the presidential years 1829–1832. Feller was the lead scholar for the PBS special *Andrew Jackson: Good, Evil, and the Presidency*, and he has appeared also on *History Detectives*, *Who Do You Think You Are*, *Ten Things You Don't Know About*, and most recently, CNN's *Race for the White House*.

JENNIFER L. WEBER is associate professor of history at the University of Kansas, where her specialty is Civil War studies. Her publications include *Copperheads*, which is about anti-war Democrats in the North and the danger they posed to the war effort, and an anthology in honor of her graduate school adviser, James M. McPherson. Professor Weber is committed to reaching as wide an audience as possible, so she also has written a children's book for grades 4-8 called *Summer's Bloodiest Days* on the Battle of Gettysburg and its aftermath. This was named a notable trade book by the National Council for Social Studies. She has also served as executive editor for the Key Concepts in American History Series, aimed at middle and high school students. Jenny is currently a visiting professor at the United States Air Force Academy. She's also working on a book about America's first draft and the rise of big government.