

**19-20 September 2019****U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD****#McMullen19**

The year 2019 marks numerous anniversaries in naval history. It is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Leyte Gulf, the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the North Korean shootdown of *Deep Sea 129*, the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the U.S. Navy Good Conduct Medal, the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Japanese Battle of Hakodate during the Meiji Restoration, and the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of U.S. Congress giving the Secretary of the Navy sole responsibility for the naming of ships. From operational history, to social history, to political history, and every approach in between, the naval and maritime history of the United States and the wider world remain rich areas of research and scholarship.

The History Department of the United States Naval Academy invites proposals for papers to be presented at the 2019 McMullen Naval History Symposium on *any topics related to American or world, naval and maritime history*.

Proposals should include a one page vita and an abstract of no more than 250 words which summarizes the research and its contribution to historical knowledge, *collated in a single PDF or Microsoft Word file*. Panel proposals (made up of three presenters, a chair, and a commenter) are highly encouraged, and should include all relevant material on the presenters, as well as a one page vita for the chair and commenter.

Proposal deadline: 15 February 2019. Email proposals to [navalhistorysymposium@gmail.com](mailto:navalhistorysymposium@gmail.com) by midnight. The program committee anticipates announcing a draft program by the end of April 2019; papers are due to the committee and to panel chairs/commenters by 16 August 2019.

On-line registration for the conference will begin in the spring of 2019. A small number of modest travel stipends are available to graduate students and recent PhDs who do not hold a tenure-track position or full-time employment. Support for these grants comes from the generosity of the McMullen Sea Power Fund established in honor of Dr. John McMullen, USNA Class of 1940. The committee will prioritize graduate students for these funds. Please indicate your desire to apply for a travel stipend with your proposal. The committee will publish a volume of proceedings in the *New Interpretations of Naval History Series*, containing a selection of the best papers presented, at a future date.

Further information on the 2019 McMullen Naval History Symposium will be available online at [www.usna.edu/History/Symposium](http://www.usna.edu/History/Symposium). Specific inquiries may be directed to the Symposium Director, Commander Benjamin "BJ" Armstrong, via the email address listed above.