



## James W. C. Pennington and the World of Transatlantic Reform

August 20 – 21, 2021

Heidelberg Center for American Studies

## Friday, August 20, 2021

15.00 - 15.30

**Eddie Glaude** (Princeton University) and **Jan Stievermann** (Heidelberg University)

“Introductory Remarks”

**Manfred Lautenschläger**

“Welcome Address”

**Panel 1:** 16.00 - 17.30

**Manisha Sinha** (University of Connecticut):

“Pennington and Transatlantic Abolitionism”

**Sandra Gustafson** (University of Notre Dame):

“Pennington, Stowe and the International Peace Movement”

**Break**

**Panel 2:** 18.00 - 19.30

**John Ernest** (University of Delaware):

“Pennington, the Colored Conventions Movement and the Struggle for Black Self-Determination”

**Melvin Rogers** (Brown University):

“James W. C. Pennington and Black Republicanism”

**Panel 3:** 19.45 - 21.15

**Jan Stievermann** (Heidelberg University):

“Pennington in the Context of Transatlantic Protestantism”

**John Stauffer** (Harvard University):

“Frederick Douglass, James McCune Smith, James W. C. Pennington and Transatlantic Abolitionism”

## Saturday, August 21, 2021

### Panel 4: 15.00 - 16.30

**William L. Andrews** (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill):

"Freedom vs. Family in the Pre-Emancipation African American Fugitive Slave Narrative: The Singular Case of James W. C. Pennington"

**Pia Wiegink** (University of Bonn):

"Gender, Abolition, and Transatlantic Reform in Antebellum African American Life Writing"

### Panel 5: 16.45 - 18.15

**Ethan Kytle** (Fresno State University):

"James W. C. Pennington and the Contours of Romantic Reform"

**Mischa Honeck** (University of Kassel):

"Revolutionary Conversations: American Abolitionists and Europe's 1848ers"

### Break

### Panel 6: 19.00 - 20.30

**Eddie Glaude** (Princeton University):

"On the Moral Vision of James W. C. Pennington"

**Caitlin Smith** (Heidelberg University):

"James W. C. Pennington and African-American Skepticism"

**Panel 7: 20.45 - 22.15**

**Paul Harvey** (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs):

“Henry McNeal Turner and International Reform”

**Sarah Azaransky** (Union Theological Seminary):

“Religion and the International Roots of the Civil Rights Movement”

**Concluding Discussion**

Please note: all times are Central European Time

## Conference Conveners

Prof. Dr. Jan Stievermann  
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Prof. Dr. Eddie Glaude Jr.  
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For inquiries and pre-registration, please contact  
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