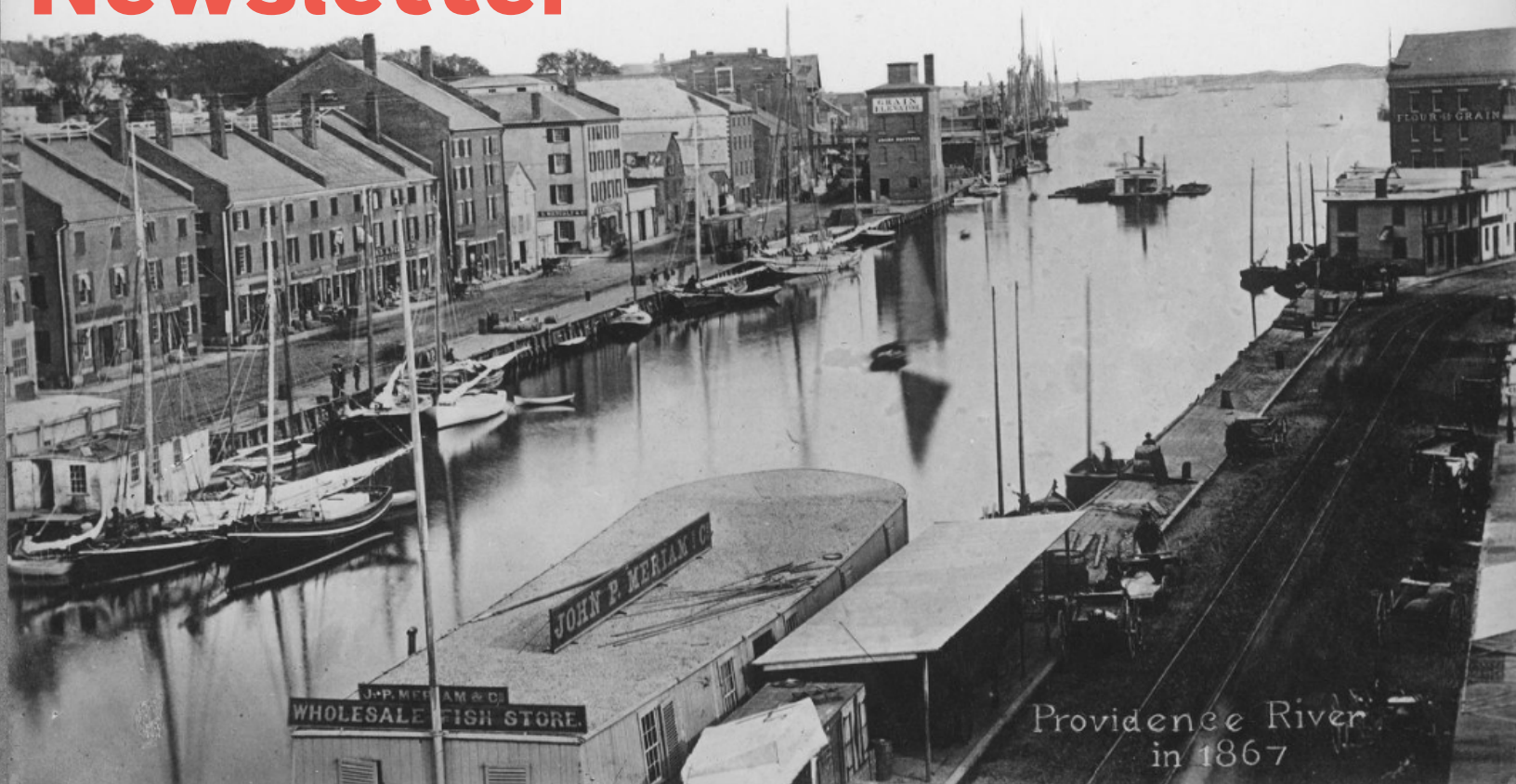


# Summer 2022 Newsletter



"Providence River in 1867", from the John O. Pastore Photograph Album, courtesy of the Phillips Memorial Library Special and Archival Collections

## Program Director's Message

Greetings, and congratulations on another successful semester. Now it's time to take a step back and have a nice break - hit the beach, read a good book, and enjoy the summer months!

Thank you to our department faculty and graduate students for all their hard work, and a special congratulations to our students who graduated this past May. I look forward to welcoming our incoming students in the summer and fall semesters, and I wish you all a safe and healthy summer holiday. Cheers!

*- Dr. Jeff Johnson*



## Graduate News

Congratulations to our graduate students who received their Master's degrees this past December and May! We are so proud of the work they did at Providence College.

Congratulations to Danielle Cabral, Nicole Canova, Emily Dupuis, James Kelly, Shannon Dolan, Rebecca Farias, Brendan Gregory, and Robert O'Dell!



## Recent Events

This past May the Graduate Program was once again able to host their annual End of Year Graduate Celebration at the Public Kitchen & Bar in Providence. After having to put the tradition on hold due to the pandemic, the program was excited to be able to bring back graduates from the class of 2020 and 2021 to celebrate all the hard work they did while completing the program!



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## Faculty Member Retires After 60 Years at PC

This semester, the Department of History and Classics celebrated the retirement of Dr. Paul F. O'Malley. Dr. O'Malley joined the faculty at Providence College in 1963, and served as the Director of the Graduate Program for many years. The retirement celebration was classically Irish, with lots of food, drink, and conversation all around. The party also featured a performance from Dr. O'Malley's brother John O'Malley's band, Saddle Up the Chicken, and many family, friends, colleagues, and old classmates were in attendance to honor Dr. O'Malley's impact on the Department and the Graduate Program. But don't worry - Dr. O'Malley will still be around campus as Emeritus Faculty and will be teaching a class in the fall.



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## History Professor Receives Competitive NEH Grant

The Department is proud to announce that Dr. Osama Siddiqui has received the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Stipend for *A Science of Society: Economic Thought in Colonial India*. This NEH Summer Stipend will be provided for the completion of a book manuscript on how European economic thought was received and transformed in nineteenth-century colonial India, including through translation into Indian languages such as Urdu.

Dr. Siddiqui was the only faculty member in Rhode Island to receive such an award in the latest funding from NEH. This marks the third time a faculty member in the Department of History has received the stipend at Providence College, joining Dr. Edward Andrews and Dr. Sharon Murphy in the honor. Congratulations Dr. Siddiqui!



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## Graduate History Program Represented at 2022 ACRL New England/NELIG Joint Annual Conference

Dr. Alyssa Lopez, along with Michelle Chiles and Megan Lessard from the Providence College Phillips Memorial Library, will be presenting their program "Out of the Classroom, Into the Archives: Developing Successful Collaboration between Faculty and Archivists/Librarians to create high-impact learning experiences for students" at the joint 2022 Association of College & Research Libraries New England/ New England Library Instruction Group Conference this June. Dr. Lopez, Ms. Chiles, and Ms. Lessard will be discussing their work with a history graduate class from the Spring semester. Congratulations and good luck!



# Graduate Student News

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## Recent Graduate Accepted as NHS Summer Fellow

2022 grad Rebecca Farias was selected as the 2022 Buchanan Burnham Summer Scholars in Public History Program Fellow at the Newport Historical Society. Since 1854 the Newport Historical Society (NHS) has collected and preserved five centuries of American history and continues to document Newport's unique contribution to our national narrative. It acts as a resource center for the education of the public about the history of Newport County, so that knowledge of the past may contribute to a fuller understanding of the present.

Rebecca will be conducting research using the Newport Archives and write historical blog posts. Two of the main projects she will be working on include a collaboration with the Rhode Island Historical Society with a traveling photo exhibit and a research project focusing on BIPOC biographies for the NHS' Know Your History Hub. Congratulations Rebecca!



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## '22 Grad Receives The Paul F. O'Malley Award for Outstanding Graduate Student

Emily Dupuis, graduate class of 2022, was honored this past May with The Paul F. O'Malley Award for Outstanding Graduate Student. The award was created this year to honor Dr. Paul O'Malley, who retired this year. Emily is an exemplary graduate student - she completed her thesis "A Transatlantic History of Irish Catholic Women" this spring, and will be moving on to a PhD program at Boston College in the fall. Congratulations Emily!



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## Current Grad Students to Intern with the NPS at Slater Mill

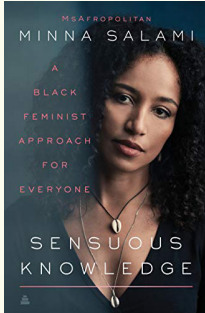
Two current graduate students, Owen Marshall and Katherine Lynch, will be completing an internship through the National Park Services at Slater Mill this summer. The NPS acquired the Old Slater Mill National Historic Landmark District last year, completing the transfer of the property to the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park in March 2021. Owen and Katherine will be working with the NPS and the Rhode Island Historical Association to create research tools for the new property, and will be collaborating with the NPS to create some new exhibits for the Mill.



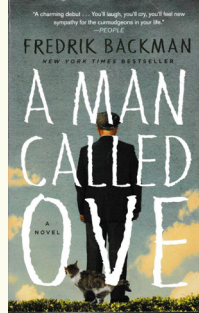
Wilkinson Mill (left) the Sylvanus Brown House (middle) and the Slater Mill building (right). Courtesy of the National Park Services



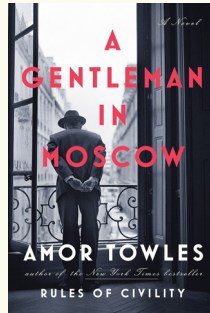
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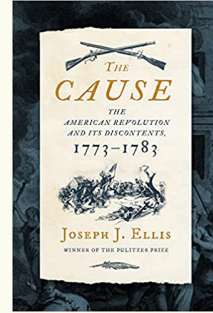
*Sensuous Knowledge*  
Minna Salami



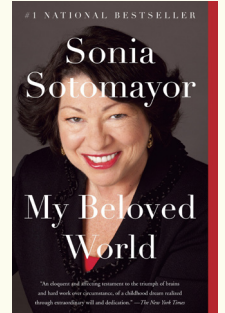
*A Man Called Ove*  
Fredrik Backman



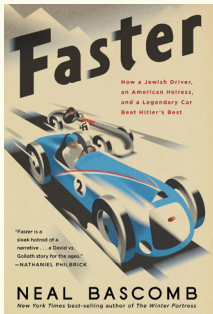
*A Gentleman in Moscow*  
Amor Towles



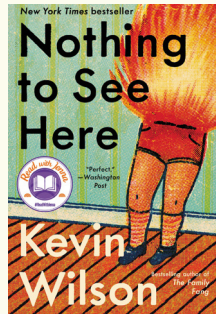
*The Cause*  
Joseph Ellis



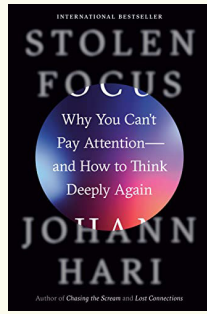
*My Beloved World*  
Sonia Sotomayor



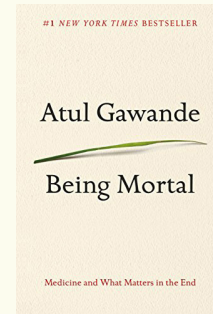
*Faster*  
Neal Bascomb



*Nothing to See Here*  
Kevin Wilson



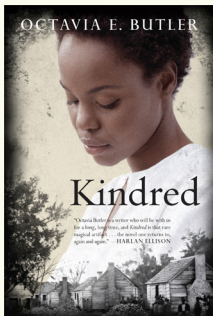
*Stolen Focus*  
Johann Hari



*Being Mortal*  
Atul Gawande



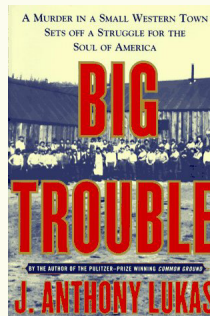
*How to Cook a Wolf*  
M. F. K. Fisher



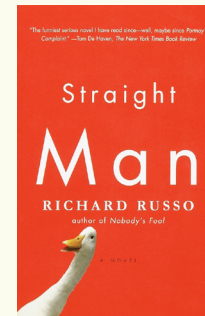
*Kindred*  
Octavia Butler



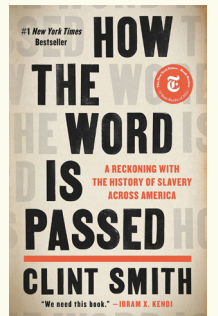
*The Joy Luck Club*  
Amy Tan



*Big Trouble*  
J. Anthony Lukas



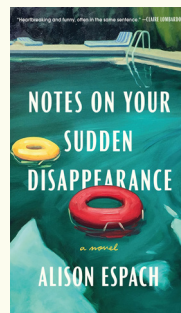
*Straight Man*  
Richard Russo



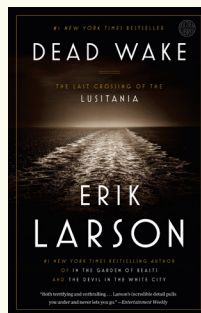
*How the Word is Passed*  
Clint Smith



*Hao Ye Chun*



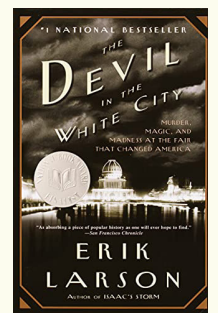
*Notes on Your Sudden Disappearance*  
Alison Espach



*Dead Wake*  
Erik Larson



*The Splendid and the Vile*  
Erik Larson



*The Devil in the White City*  
Erik Larson