FRIDAY, June 16

8:15-9:00 – Business Meeting
Chair: M. B. B. Biskupski (President, Polish Institute of Arts & Sciences of America)

9:00-9:45 – Opening Ceremonies
Chair: James S. Pula (Purdue University Northwest)
Speakers: Andrzej Białas (President, Polska Akademia Umiejętności) – M. B. B. Biskupski (President, Polish Institute of Arts & Sciences of America) – Arkadiusz Janicki (Director of the Institute of History, University of Gdańsk)

9:45-10:45 – Plenary Session: “The Year of Kościuszko: How We Remember Him”
Chair: Anna Mazurkiewicz (University of Gdańsk; President, Polish American Historical Association)
Speakers: Piotr Drąg (Jagiellonian University), “Tadeusz Kościuszko: How the National Hero of Poland is Remembered in Poland in the Bicentenary Year of His Death” – James S. Pula (Purdue University Northwest), “Kościuszko in American Historical Memory”

10:45-11:00 – Break (refreshments provided for registered participants).

11:00-12:30 – Concurrent Sessions

Session 1: Economics, Politics, Society in Contemporary Poland – The Annual Michael Sendzimir Session
Chair: Bożena Leven (The College of New Jersey)

Session 2: Tadeusz Kościuszko (Organized by the University of Gdańsk)
Chair: James S. Pula
Speakers: Anna Łysiak-Łątkowska (University of Gdańsk), “Tadeusz Kościuszko in the Eyes of the 18th Century French” – Arkadiusz Janicki (University of Gdańsk), “Kościuszko as a National Hero” – Barbara Klassa (University of Gdańsk) – “American Historiography on Kościuszko and Pułaski”

Session 3: The Chicago Polonia: From the Za Chlebem Migration to Today (Organized by the Polish American Historical Association)
Chair: Dominic A. Pacyga (Columbia College-Chicago)

Chair: **Robert Blobaum** (West Virginia University)
Speakers: A roundtable discussion featuring **Robert Blobaum** (West Virginia University), **Dobrochna Kalwa** (Warsaw University), **Nathaniel Wood** (University of Kansas), **Krzysztof Zamorski** (Jagiellonian University), and the author, **Keely Stauter-Halsted** (University of Illinois at Chicago) as a respondent.

Session 5: Problems in Translation
Chair: **TBA**

12:30-13:30 (12:30-1:30 pm) – Lunch is provided for registered participants.

13:30-15:00 (1:30-3:00 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 6: Poland and the European Union after the Brexit Referendum: A Roundtable Discussion
Chair: **Christopher Garbowski** (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University)
A discussion featuring **Andrzej Jaroszyński** (Catholic University of Lublin), **Michał Kuź** (Lazarski University, Warsaw), and **John O’Sullivan** (Danube Institute, Budapest).

Session 7: Nineteenth Century Polish Heroes and Anti-Heroes (Organized by the University of Gdańsk)
Chair: **TBA**

Session 8: The Security Situation in Eastern Europe – One Year After the Warsaw Summit
Chair: **Stephen Olejasz** (U.S. Army, Retired)
A panel discussion featuring **Peter Doran** (Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA) and Interim Director of their Warsaw Office), Col. **Ray Wojcik** (U.S. Army Attaché at the US Embassy in Warsaw), and representatives of the Polish and Lithuanian armed forces.
Session 9: Polish Historians and Their Work
Chair: Marek Haltof (Northern Michigan University)

Session 10: The Many Faces of Literature
Chair: Lynn Lubamersky

15:00-15:15 (3:00-3:15 pm) – Break (refreshments are provided for registered participants).

15:30-16:45 (3:30-4:45 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 11: Polish Economic Opportunities
Chair: Jan Napoleon Saykiewicz (Duquesne University)

Session 12: Twentieth Century Polish Heroes and Anti-Heroes (Organized by the University of Gdańsk)
Chair: Neal Pease (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

Session 13: Migration Studies and the Choices Young Polish Scholars Make
Chair: Dorota Praszałowicz (Jagiellonian University)

Session 14: Polish Federalism
Chair: Robert Szymczak (Pennsylvania State University-Beaver)
Speakers: Andrzej Pieczewski (University of Łódź), “Polish Federation Plans Over the Centuries” — Kamil Kowalski (University of Łódź), “Federalization of Western Europe in American
Session 15: Polish Literature — I
Chair: Marek Haltof (Northern Michigan University)

18:00-10:00 (6:00-8:00 pm): Reception for those registered for the conference. This will be hosted by the United States Consul General.

SATURDAY, June 17

9:00-10:30: Concurrent Sessions

Session 16: The Influence of Images: Photographs and Film
Chair: Anna Muller (University of Michigan-Dearborn)

Session 17: Polish Diaspora Communities
Chair: Arnold Klonczyński (University of Gdańsk)

Session 18: War in the Carpathians, 1912-1952
Chair: Paul J. Best (The Carpathian Institute)

Session 19: Topics in Polish Culture
Chair: Patrice M. Dabrowski (Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute)

**Session 20: Issues in Language Studies**
Chair: **Justyna Zych** (University of Warsaw)

10:30-10:45: Break (refreshments are provided for registered participants).

10:45-12:15: Concurrent Sessions

**Session 21: Poland – Australia – Communism**
Chair: **Anna Mazurkiewicz** (University of Gdańsk)
Speakers: **Dariusz Adrian Rudziński** (Flinders University, South Australia), “Emigre Poles and Australian Anti-Communism 1947–57” — **Victor Korbacz** (Flinders University, South Australia), “Emigre Poles, the Australian Catholic Church and Anti-communism in the 1950s” — **Patryk Pleskot** (Institute of National Remembrance, Warsaw), “Solidarity Dimension of the Cultural Activities of the Polish Diaspora in Australia from 1980 to 1989” — **Jan Lencznarowicz** (Jagiellonian University), “Polish-Australian Relations in the late 1970s and early 1980s”

**Session 22: Preserving Historical Memory**
Chair: **Ewa E. Barczyk** (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

**Session 23: The Pervasiveness of the Theme of the Holocaust in Jewish, American-Jewish, Israeli, and Polish Literatures**
Chair: **Rachel Brenner** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

**Session 24: The Eastern Carpathian Mountains before World War I: Their “Discovery,” Development, and Scientific Study**
Chair: **TBA**

Session 25: 120 lat Tansmana: O muzyce i życiu kompozytora-emigranta (1897-1986) — **Session is in Polish**
Chair: **Maja Trochimczyk**

12:15-13:15 (12:15-1:15 pm): Lunch is provided for registered participants

13:15-14:45 (1:15-2:45 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 26: Polish America’s Support for Poland (Organized by the Polish American Historical Association)
Chair: **Stephen M. Leahy** (Shantou University, China)

Session 27: Under a Common Sky – Ethnic Groups in the Commonwealth of Poland and Lithuania
Chair: **M. B. B. Biskupski** (Central Connecticut State University)

Session 28: Witold Gombrowicz — I
Chair: **Silvia G. Dapia** (John Jay College, City University of New York)
Speakers: **Michał Markowski** (University of Illinois at Chicago), “Transforming the Formless: Gombrowicz and Modernism Revisited” — **Magdalena Heydel** (Jagiellonian University) – “‘Intermolecular Mockery and Derision, an Inbred Superlaugh.’ On English Translations of Gombrowicz’s *Ferdydurke*” — **Piotr Świercz** (Jesuit University Ignatianum) – “Polishness, Politics, and the Facilitated Life in Witold Gombrowicz’s Works”
Session 29: Józef Piłsudski w 150 rocznicę urodzin (Organized by the Józef Piłsudski Institute of America) — Session is in Polish.

Chair: Magda Kapuścińska and Ewa Babiarz (Józef Piłsudski Institute of America)


Session 30: On Symphonies of Henryk Mikołaj Górecki (1933-2010)

Chair: Maja Trochimczyk


14:45-16:15 (2:45-4:15 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 31: Polish Participants in the American Revolution and Civil War

Chair: Piotr Derengowski (University of Gdańsk)


Session 32: Early Polish-Lithuanian History and Literature

Chair: Neal Pease (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)


Session 33: Witold Gombrowicz — II

Chair: Silvia G. Dapia (John Jay College, City University of New York)


Session 34: Józef Piłsudski (Organized by the University of Gdańsk) — Session is in Polish

Chair: M. B. B. Biskupski (Central Connecticut State University)

Speakers: Tadeusz Stegner (University of Gdańsk), “Luteranie i Piłsudski – jak Naczelnik jednoczył kraj i obywateli różnych wyznań” — Eugeniusz Koko (University of Gdańsk),
“Piłsudski i Rusini – perspektywa rozwoju relacji polsko-rusińskich w XX wieku” — Przemysław Różański (University of Gdańsk), "Przewrót majowy Józefa Piłsudskiego w wybranych tytułach prasy amerykańskiej”.

Session 35: Immigrant Social Identities
Chair: Mary Patrice Erdmans

16:15-16:30 (4:15-4:30 pm) Break (refreshments are provided for registered participants).

16:30-18:00 4:30-6:00 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 36: World War I
Chair: Magdalena Nowak (University of Gdańsk)

Session 37: Lublin and Problems of Urban Historical Memory
Chair: Christopher Garbowski (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University)

Session 38: Witold Gombrowicz — III: Polish Emigré Literature and Literary Criticism: Life of an Idea from ACLA 1994 to PIASA 2017
Chair: Silvia G. Dapía (John Jay College, City University of New York)
Speakers: A roundtable discussion the life of a conference paper, the life of its idea, and the currency of an idea featuring Katarzyna Jerzak (Pomeranian University, Słupsk), Marzena Grzegorczyk (Reverie Chase Productions), Paweł Kozłowski (Pomeranian University, Słupsk), and Ewa Ziarek (State University of New York at Buffalo).

Session 39: Problemy edytorstwa tradycyjnego i cyfrowego na przykładzie materiałów z archiwum Polskiego Instytutu Naukowego w Ameryce — Session is in Polish.
Chair: Beata Dorosz (Institute of Literary Research, Polish Academy of Sciences)

Session 40: Lithuanian and Polish Religious History
Chair: Neal Pease (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)

19:00 (7:00 pm): Reception and Banquet at the Kolegium Maximum at the Jagiellonian University. (Separate registration is required for the reception and banquet.)

SUNDAY, June 18

9:00-10:30: Concurrent Sessions

Session 41: Eastern Europeans in North America
Chair: TBA

Session 42: Social Biographies of Ethnographic Museum Collections
Chair: Anna Muller (University of Michigan-Dearborn)

Session 43: Topics in Polish Culture
Chair: TBA
Session 44: International Issues in Modern Polish History  
Chair: TBA  

Session 45: Chapters in International Relations  
Chair: TBA  

10:30-10:45: Break (refreshments are provided for registered participants).

10:45-12:15: Concurrent Sessions

Session 46: The Post-Solidarity Immigrant Wave in the United States of America  
Chair: Adam Walaszek (Jagiellonian University)  
Speakers: Joanna Wojdon (University of Wrocław), “The Reception of the Solidarity Emigration by the American Polonia” — Mary Patrice Erdmans (Case Western Reserve University) and Magdalena Lesińska (Center of Migration Research University of Warsaw), “Relations between Migrants and the Homeland in a Time of Political Transition. The Case of Polish American Economic Forum, 1989-1990” — Sonia Caputa (University of Silesia), “(Post)communist Homelessness? Identity and Belonging in Dagmara Dominczyk’s The Lullaby of Polish Girls”

Session 47: Topics in Polish Studies (Organized by the Centre POLONICUM, University of Warsaw)  
Chair: TBA  

Session 48: Trauma as Collective Memory  
Chair: Jacek Lubecki (Georgia Southern University)  
Session 49: Education and Information  
Chair: TBA  

Session 50: Jan Karski: II World War Through “Humanity’s Hero”  
Chair: Krystyna Zamorska (Queens College, City University of New York)  

12:15-13:15 (12:15-1:15 pm): Lunch is provided for registered participants

13:15-14:45 (1:15-2:45 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 51: Everyday Life in Poland Under Communism as a Pushing Factor of the Polish Emigration  
Chair: Joanna Wojdon (University of Wroclaw)  

Session 52: Post-Solidarity Immigrants in Canada  
Chair: Adam Walaszek (Jagiellonian University)  
Speakers: Anna Reczyńska (Jagiellonian University), “Canada’s and the Polish Diaspora’s Assistance to Polish Immigrants Arriving in Canada in the 1980s” — Magdalena Paluszewicz-Misiaczek (Jagiellonian University), “The Polish Combatants’ Association in Canada and Its Support for the Solidarity Movement and Polish Refugees in the 1980s” — Eugenia Sojka (University of Silesia), “The Voice of the Post-Solidarity Other in Canada. Edward Zyman’s and Marek Kusiba’s Complex Affective Responses to Their Diasporic Condition”

Session 53: Individual Contributions in the Polish North American Diaspora  
Chair: TBA  
Session 54: Religion in Poland
Chair: Jacek Lubecki (Georgia Southern University)

Session 55: Polish Responses to People with Physical Impairments (Organized by the Centre POLONICUM, University of Warsaw)
Chair: TBA

15:00-16:30 (3:00-4:30 pm): Concurrent Sessions

Session 56: Polish Artist in North America
Chair: TBA

Session 57: Topics in Science
Chair: Jack Walecki (Kaiser Permanente, retired)
Speakers: Jack Walecki (Kaiser Permanente, retired), “Congenital Heart Diseases in Children” — Mirosław Gorny (New York University School of Medicine), “Protective Antibodies Against HIV-1 Infection” — Joanna Tisonczyk (Jagiellonian University) – “The Fight Against Multiple Myeloma — When the Teamwork is a Key”

15:00 (3:00 pm) — Board of Directors Meeting, Polish American Historical Association (open to Board members only) —