

EIGHTH BIENNIAL SCOTCH-IRISH IDENTITY SYMPOSIUM
JUNE 3, 2017
“THE SCOTCH-IRISH IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION”
CALL FOR PAPERS

“Call this war, dearest friend, by whatsoever name you may, only call it not an American Rebellion, it is nothing more nor less than an Irish-Scotch Presbyterian Rebellion.”

■ *Captain Johann Heinrichs, Hessian Jaeger Corps, Philadelphia, PA, January 1778*

The Culture & Heritage Museums of York County, SC, and the Scotch-Irish Society of the USA are pleased to announce that the Eighth Biennial Scotch-Irish Identity Symposium will be held at the McCelvey Center in York, South Carolina, on Saturday, June 3, 2017, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

The theme of this year’s symposium is **“The Scotch-Irish and the American Revolution.”** We invite papers that examine all aspects of the Scotch-Irish experience during the Revolutionary War in British North America. Our approach is multi-disciplinary and we encourage contributions from scholars in a variety of disciplines.

We are particularly interested in presentations in the following areas:

1. Scotch-Irish participation in the American Revolutionary movement, including the military, state governments, and national government, 1775-1783;
2. Scotch-Irish participation in the loyalist and British armies, 1775-1783;
3. Scottish Presbyterianism and its influence on political and religious thought in late 18th century America, particularly as it relates to the Declaration of Independence, the Continental Congress, and the various colonial resolves and declarations;
4. Reverend John Witherspoon, the College of New Jersey, and the Scottish/Scotch-Irish influence on colonial American educational institutions during the Revolutionary era;
5. The Scotch-Irish “holy war” in the Carolina backcountry during the Southern campaigns of the Revolution;
6. Scotch-Irish participation in any of the battles and skirmishes of the American Revolution.

However, we also welcome scholarly work on other Scotch-Irish topics, and we are particularly happy to receive abstracts from graduate students. Please direct any questions to **Michael Scoggins** at the **Historical Center of York County, 210 East Jefferson Street, York, SC 29745**, e-mail address miscoggins@chmuseums.org. Abstracts (approximately 250 – 300 words), together with a brief C.V., should be sent to the Historical Center as file attachments (Microsoft Word preferred) as soon as possible, but no later than **March 31, 2017**. Authors will be informed by **April 5, 2017**, if their abstracts have been accepted. Texts for accepted presentations will be due on or before **April 30, 2017**.