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Dear colleagues,

Hey, and here's hoping you're already cooking up an **early-American-flavored** proposal for next year's A.S.A. conference -- November 17-20, in Denver -- that'll be so substantive and dynamic and compelling, the 2016 Program.Comm will find it irresistible. I'll cut+paste a really helpfull link below, as in below these reminders:

- before you turn in a panel proposal, please remember that one of the three KEYWORDS you can select for your proposal is "**Early American Studies**"; once that committee accepts your proposal, knock wood, your panel will go onto *that* little list within the program booklet's "Session Subject Index." Got that?
- so here's how we'll figure out which two sessions to tell the A.S.A.'s command module to designate as "Sponsored by the Early American Matters Caucus": once that committee has accepted the proposals that will constitute the 2016 program, we\* will again compile a list of the **early-American-flavored panels** -- plural, mehopes! -- to circulate among members of this Caucus as a ballot.

**Ta-da!** This link leads to plenty of usefull pointers plus info about the next conference, including the brrrroad title "Home/Not Home: Centering American Studies Where We Are":

[http://www.theasa.net/topic\\_networking](http://www.theasa.net/topic_networking),

Meanwhile, if you were at the **reception** our Caucus co-hosted at Toronto last month with the Environment and Culture Caucus and with generous financial support this time around from York University's Faculty of Environmental Studies as well as, yet again, from the American Antiquarian Society (and coinciding with the mixer that the A.S.A.'s southern-regional chapter staged at the same little café), then I know that you, too, are

Looking forward,

\* again, **Ta-da!**, as in here's our Caucus's Working.Comm:

**Sari Altschuler**, Emory U., who has selflessly agreed to serve as our Caucus's co-coordinator!

**Katie Brian**, Western Washington U.

**Verdie Culbreath**, Cornell U.

**Paul Erickson**, American Antiquarian Society

**Andrew Inchiosa**, U. of Chicago

**Drew Lopenzina**, Old Dominion U.

**Yrs truly**, F.S.U.

**Sally Promey**, Yale U.

**Peter Reed**, U. of Mississippi

**Brit Rusert**, Princeton U. / U. of Massachusetts, Amherst

**Cassie Smith**, U. of Alabama