

Leisure, Tourism and the 19th-Century Resort (Newport, 18-20 Oct 07)

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During the nineteenth century, a new type of community, known variously as watering hole, resort or vacation spot, appeared in the United States. Stretching from the mountains of Virginia to Newport and Bar Harbor in the East, Tampa and Ocean Springs in the South, the "Lakes" and Mackinac in the Mid-West, and Yosemite and Santa Barbara in the west, these resorts introduced new cultural patterns to existing cities. Often using innovative commercial strategies, they transformed undeveloped or underdeveloped areas into "natural" paradises aimed primarily at the elite. Counter to this, amusements incorporated into urban localities reshaped the lifestyles of lower, working and middle class families. Salve Regina's 11th Annual Conference on Cultural and Historic Preservation will examine all aspects of nineteenth-century leisure, resort life and amusement.

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