

Hoosier Women at Work in Peace and War // Indiana Women's History Conference Call for Proposals

Join us for the sixth Hoosier Women at Work History Conference on **Saturday, October 5, 2024**. The <u>Kurt Vonnegut Museum and Library</u> will host the conference, with the keynote presentation taking place at the <u>Madam Walker Legacy Center</u>.

This conference will foster historical research and discussion on the unique roles of women in peacebuilding and war efforts. Women's work has been undervalued throughout history by patriarchal economic, political, and social systems, hindering a fuller understating of peace and war studies through the exclusion of women's stories. This conference will seek to encourage original scholarship and dynamic discussion of how Indiana women impacted these larger global events and systems of power.

What has been the role of women working to eliminate violence? How are women of color and indigenous women at work for peace in potentially different ways? What unexplored roles have women taken on in times of war? How has colonization and war impacted women and girls? How did Hoosier women impact broader historical and current events? We especially encourage topics related to girls and women of color, indigenous women, women of immigrant origin, those who identify as LGBTQ, and women with disabilities.

Please consider contributing your scholarship about Indiana women's efforts for peace and war. This could be in the form of a paper presentation or a panel discussion. Academic, student, and citizen historians are encouraged to participate. Papers should be approximately ten pages and based on original research or a synthesis of scholarship. PowerPoint or other visual aids are encouraged.

To submit an individual proposal, send a one-page explanation of your paper and a short biography (about 150 words). Panel proposals should include a one-page description of the panel which specifies the topic that each participant will discuss and a short biography for each participant. The deadline for submitting paper and/or session proposals is **August 1, 2024**. Please e-mail your proposal to IHB historian Nicole Poletika.

For more information, visit https://www.in.gov/history/hoosier-women-at-work/, where you can view papers from past conferences.