8:00–8:50 a.m. | Introduction and Breakfast

8:50–10:20 a.m. | Archival Profession: Now and in the Future
Speakers will address their career paths to becoming successful archives/library professionals. In discussing their current job responsibilities, they will cover what skills were necessary to attain their positions and offer strategies for developing those skills. They will also reflect on how their roles represent the professional landscape now and in the future, and highlight current issues and challenges from their vantage point in the profession.
Panelists: Courtney C. Mumma, Michael Pahn, and Sibyl Schaefer

10:20–10:40 a.m. | Break

10:40 a.m.–12:10 p.m. | Leadership and Diversity
This session will address issues of leadership and diversity within the archival profession. Panelists will share their experiences as teachers, practitioners, and leaders working on and through diversity issues in their careers. It will encourage discussion of what it takes to be a leader in this profession and meaningful ways to effect change in the workplace.
Panelists: Steven D. Booth, Jacky Johnson, and Randall C. Jimerson

12:10–1:40 p.m. | Lunch
Special Guests: Nancy Beaumont, Dennis Meissner, and Kathleen Roe

1:40–3:10 p.m. | Professional Involvement
Panelists in this session will speak to the benefits of membership and involvement in the Society of American Archivists and regional archival associations, reflecting on the intersections between their own professional journeys and their experiences participating in the greater archival profession.
Panelists: Derek Mosley, Helen Wong Smith, and Tanya Zanish-Belcher

3:10–3:30 p.m. | Break

3:30–5:00 p.m. | Boom! You’re Hired!
Interview Tips for the Fledgling Archivist
In this interactive mock-interview session, participants will be given the opportunity to answer real-life professional interview questions and will receive feedback on their responses by a distinguished panel of professional-archivist-judges. Fellows will participate in teams that will be rounded out by other archives and special collections professionals. The session will be followed by one-on-one guidance in strategies for composing effective cover letters, as well as tips on how to build an effective résumé/CV.
Panelists: Steven D. Booth, Heather Briston, Pam Hackbart-Dean, Harrison W. Inefuku, Wilda Logan, Rachel Vagts, and Stacie Williams

6:30 p.m. | Dinner at The Chocolate Bar
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