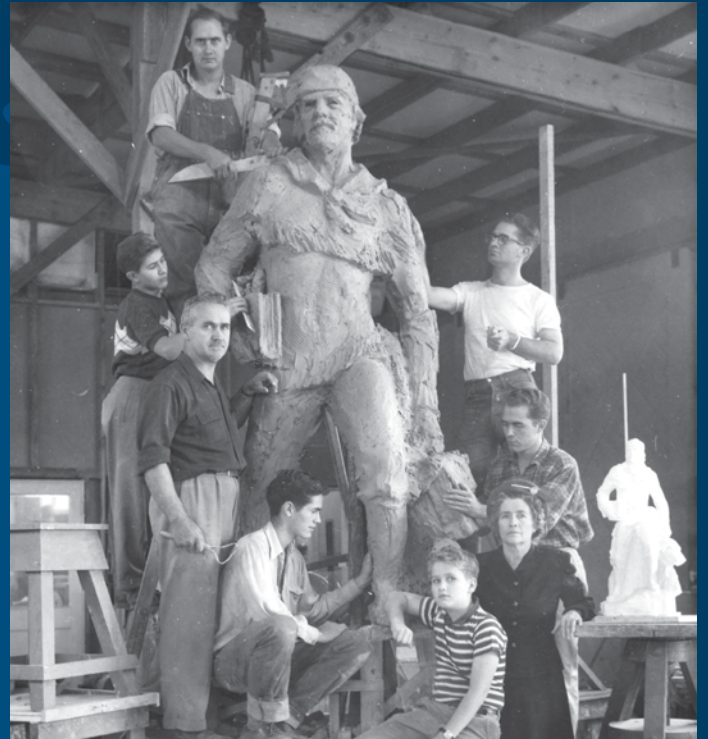


UNMAKING WHITMAN

UNLEARNING THE MYTH

During a week in which we reflect on the legacy of colonial violence and the survival and perseverance of Indigenous peoples, authors and community members will explore critically the legacy of Marcus Whitman and Manifest Destiny discussed within two recently published books, Sarah Koenig's *Providence and the Invention of American History* (Yale University Press, 2021) and Blaine Harden's *Murder at the Mission: A Frontier Killing, Its Legacy of Lies, and the Taking of the American West* (Viking, 2021).

Community members from Whitman College and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation will offer commentary on the scholarly contributions of these books as tools for unlearning the myths that continue to inform American history.



Sculptor Avard T. Fairbanks, his wife Maude, and children photographed while making the Marcus Whitman statue in 1947.

THURSDAY 7:30 P.M. "WHAT DO WE DO WITH WHITMAN? CONTESTING THE LEGACY OF A PROVIDENTIAL ICON" • MAXEY AUDITORIUM

Book talk by author Sarah Koenig

FRIDAY 4 P.M. PANEL DISCUSSION WITH SARAH KOENIG AND BLAINE HARDEN • MAXEY AUDITORIUM

At this event, each author will take 10-15 minutes to talk about their books. Those talks will be followed by short responses by community members, including:

Bobbie Conner, Director of Tamástslikt Cultural Institute

Libby Miller, Director of the Maxey Museum and Senior Adjunct Assistant Professor of AHVC studies

Stan Thayne, Lecturer in Anthropology, Environmental Studies, Politics, and Religion

John Cotts, Professor of History, will introduce and serve as moderator.

SATURDAY 2 P.M. BOOK TALK AND SIGNING EVENT WITH SARAH KOENIG AND BLAINE HARDEN • MUSEUM STORE AT TAMÁSTSLIKT CULTURAL INSTITUTE

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