

**New Histories of Native and Colonial North America**  
**“New Scholar Series” on Critical Race Studies and Ethnicity**



Native Hawaiian traders surround the vessels of L' Astrola & La Boussole anchored off Maui, Hawai'i ca. 1785

## **"Maka'āinana Wāhine: The Sex-for-Goods Trade and Clothing in Nineteenth-Century Hawai'i"**

~ Talk by historian **Catherine 'Īmaikalani Ulep is Kanaka 'Ōiwi**.

Maka'āinana wāhine (commoner women) undressed to promote a sex-for-goods trade with Euro-American sailors. This talk explores Hawaiian-language texts to show sexual practices are why this trade was accepted and facilitated women's accrual of foreign cloth which challenged existing power dynamics. *[Above: Native Hawaiian traders surround the vessels of L' Astrola & La Boussole anchored off Maui, Hawai'i ca. 1785.]*

**April 23, 2021 at 8:30AM to 9:45AM EST**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://conncoll-edu.zoom.us/j/93211459029>

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