

# Professor Craig Harline

## The Microhistorian as Frustrated (or Aspiring) Novelist

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Professor of early modern European history at Brigham Young University. He is an award-winning author of six books. His most recent title, *Conversions: Two Family Stories from the Reformation and Modern America*, has been named a *Publishers Weekly* Top Ten Book in Religion for 2011, and is a finalist for the 2012 Mark Lynton Prize.



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The virtues and vices of microhistory have been discussed regularly since the elaboration of the genre in the 1970s, including criticisms that it is more fiction than history. This talk will recount Harline's own experiences with the approach, a microhistory of microhistory if you will, to suggest what has been particularly influential on him (including novels), while connecting in good microhistorical fashion to perpetual issues in the genre.

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