

VRI Visiting Research Fellows Lecture Series

- Dutch American Identity Politics: The Use of History by Dutch Immigrants* (2003)
Hans Krabbendam, Roosevelt Study Center, the Netherlands
- The Rain of God: Reformed Church in America Growth and Decline in Historical Perspective* (2004)
Lynn M. Japinga, Hope College
- Dutch Entrepreneurship: Spirit or Ideology?* (2004)
Hans Niemantsverdriet, Amsterdam
- Reassessing 1857: Overlooked Considerations Concerning the Birth of the Christian Reformed Church* (2006)
James A. De Jong, Calvin Theological Seminary
- Disease and Death among the Early Settlers in Holland, Michigan* (2006)
J. P. Verhave, Radboud University Medical Center, Nijmegen, the Netherlands
- Growing Up Dutch American: Cultural Identity and the Formative Years of Older Dutch Americans* (2007)
Peter Ester, Tilburg University, the Netherlands
- The Dutch Equation in the RCA Freemasonry Controversy, 1865-1885* (2008)
Harry Boonstra, Calvin College and Seminary
- “We live presently under a waning moon”: Nicholas Martin Steffens as Leader of the Reformed Church in America in the West in Years of Transition (1878-1895)* (2008)
George Harinck, VU University Amsterdam
- Preachers, Pews, and Pupils: Commemorating the Past in Twentieth-Century Dutch America* (2008)
David Zwart, Dordt College
- “Pope of the Classis”? The Leadership of Albertus C. Van Raalte in Dutch and American Classes* (2009)
Leon van den Broeke, VU University Amsterdam
- Dutch Americans and the Rise of Heritage Studies* (2010)
Michael Douma, Florida State University
- Hope: The Legacy of Van Raalte* (2011)
Rein Nauta, Tilburg University, the Netherlands
- Documentary Films of the Netherlands Shown in the United States, 1942-1973: Viewership, Representativeness, and Visual Rhetoric* (2013)
Henk Aay, Calvin College
- Hendrik P. Scholte: His Legacy in the Netherlands and in America* (2015)
Eugene Heideman, RCA staff member, retired
- “We Made the Wilderness to Blossom”: Nineteenth-Century Dutch Immigrants and the Natural World* (2015)
Henk Aay, Calvin College, and Jan Boersema, Leiden University, NL
- Seeds of Hope, Seeds of Hate: A Love Story (Begins)* (2016)
Don Luidens, Hope College
- A Japanese and a Dutchman in Science: Stories of a Dramatic Disaster* (2017)
Jan Peter Verhave, Radboud University, Nijmegen, NL
- Plugging in the Electric Church: Robert Schuller, the Crystal Cathedral and Entrepreneurial Evangelicalism* (2018)
Mark Mulder, Calvin College
- Eleanor Calverley, First Doctor to Kuwait: Celebrating 100 Years of Kuwait-American Friendship* (2018)
Paul Heusinkveld, Honorary Research Fellow
- Paterson, New Jersey: Dutch Immigration’s Largest Afterthought (1846-1950)* (2019)
Robert Schoone-Jongen, Calvin University
- The Pull at Hope College: Then and Now, 1898-2018* (2019)
Bruce Geelhoed, Ball State University

Patriots and Internationalists: Dutch American Religion and Global Consciousness in the Late 19th Century (2019)

Andrew Klumpp, Southern Methodist University

The History of Divorce in the Reformed Church in America (2022)*

Lynn M. Japinga, Hope College

Robert H. Schuller and Church Growth Christianity (2022)

Mark T. Mulder, Calvin University

Edward D. Dimnent and His Memorial Chapel (2022)

Judy Tanis Parr, Honorary Research Fellow

The Origins of the Hope-Calvin Men's Basketball Rivalry (2023)

Chad Carlson, Hope College

The Holland Area's First Entrepreneurs: Who They Were, What They Did, and Why They Were Successful (2023)

Steven VanderVeen, Hope College

*Videos links of lectures since 2022 are posted at hope.edu/vri