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Education

Ph.D. State University of New York at Buffalo, History, 2015
M.S. Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, International Affairs, 2007
B.A. University of Rome “La Sapienza,” Asian Studies, 2002

Employment

Emmanuel College Boston, Assistant Professor of History, 2015-present

Courses Taught

History of Modern China, Modern Japan, World History, East Asian History, East Asian Migrations and Diasporas, Historical Methods, Immigrant Kitchen: Foodways and Identity in Global Perspectives, History Through Fiction.

Works in Progress

Monograph: *Networks Without Borders: The Building of Chinese Ethnicity in Rome*
Book Chapter: “*Strega Nona: The Spell On Identity*” in *First Generation Media* (Palgrave), expected release December 2020.

Selected Publications

Ravagnoli, Violetta, Book Chapter “Toward A Glocal Oral History of Chinese Migration to Rome” in Sagiyaama, Ikuko and Valentina Pedone eds., *Transcending Borders* (Firenze: Firenze University Press, 2016).
Ravagnoli, Violetta, Book Review of Reed Ueda, *Crosscurrents: Atlantic and Pacific Migration in the Making of a Global America*, New York: NY, Oxford University Press, 2016, in the *Journal of American Ethnic History*, Summer 2017.
Ravagnoli, Violetta, Book Review of Ji Li, *God’s Little Daughters: Catholic Women in Nineteenth-Century Manchuria*, Seattle: University of Washington Press, 2015, in *ChiMoKoJa - Histories of China, Mongolia, Korea and Japan*, Summer, 2018.

Selected Presentations

Ravagnoli, Violetta, “Food, art, and festivities: ramifications of religious activities and representations of identity,” panel organized for the New England World History Association (NERWHA); “The orphans of Sicily in Boston: the transnational reach of religious feasts,” paper presented at the NERWHA Conference in Boston, March 2019.
Ravagnoli, Violetta, “Travelling Distances, Travelling Cultures” invited lecture by the Chinese Culture Connection, Inc. Malden Library, MA, June 2018.
Ravagnoli, Violetta, “Ceremonies as declaration of identity and resistance in Boston’s Chinatown” paper presented at the Conference of Asian Studies (AAS), Washington, DC, March 2018.
Ravagnoli, Violetta and John Sisinni, “Glocal Lenses on Foodways, Feast Craze, and School Daze: Staples of Identity among Chinese and Italian Immigrants in Boston” paper presented at the Social Science History Association (SSHA) Conference in Montreal, November 2017.
Ravagnoli, Violetta, “Gulping and chomping beyond ethnic boundaries: A transnational history of New England” panel organized for the World History Association (WHA); “Food: a staple of identity among Chinese and Italian immigrants in Boston” paper presented at the World History Association (WHA) Conference in Boston, June 2017.

Professional Affiliations/Memberships

Executive Committee, New England World History Association
World History Association (WHA)
Association of Asian Studies (AAS)
Social Science History Association (SSHA)
Immigration and Ethnic History Society (IEHS)
Chinese Historical Association of New England
North End Historical Society
Massachusetts Historical Society