

**Call for Papers
“The Radical Midwest”
Sponsored by The Society for the Study of Midwestern Literature
American Literature Association Annual Conference
May 25-28, 2017
Boston, MA**

This panel will explore the radical or revolutionary ideas expressed in Midwestern literature, challenging the bland, homogenized stereotypes of the region. While we are interested in proposals that discuss work by Midwestern authors often defined as radical (such as Meridel Le Sueur, Jack Conroy, and other writers of the 1930s), we particularly encourage presentations which expand our idea of literary protest. These papers might explore literature which represents Midwestern calls to revolution or refers to regional histories of social unrest, or they may offer methodologies which result in radical re-readings of well-known texts.

To propose a paper, please send a 250 word abstract (noting any potential audio/visual needs) and brief C.V. to Professor Sara Kosiba at skosiba@troy.edu no later than January 15, 2017.

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