

CALL FOR PAPERS

Association for the Study of American Indian Literatures (ASAIL)
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Indigenous Resources, Literary Territories

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From the landmark Supreme Court case on tribal civil jurisdiction to ongoing opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline, Indigenous territorial histories, treaty rights, and sovereignty debates continue to impact Native American communities in complex ways. This panel takes up broad questions of resource management and Indigenous territory for literary texts from various periods. Which narratives reclaim natural resources for Native communities, and in what ways? How do contemporary texts reimagine the territory of Native American and Indigenous literature? In what ways do models of Indigenous sovereignty and settler colonialism or histories of activism shift in transnational, transpacific, or trans-Indigenous contexts? Which critical methodologies best serve Native American literatures and communities?

Please send abstracts of 300-400 words to Kathleen Washburn at washburn@unm.edu no later than Sunday, January 22. Include your academic affiliation and any A/V requests.

Membership in ASAIL is not necessary to submit an abstract for consideration, but all presenters must be or become ASAIL members before the ALA conference in order to participate in any ASAIL-sponsored panel.

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