

## CFP: The Reception of Crime Stories for Reception Studies Society Conference 9/2017

We are seeking papers for a panel on the reception of crime stories for the 7th Biennial Conference of the Reception Studies Society (RSS) to be held in St. Paul, MN from 21-23 September 2017. The general conference announcement is below. We welcome papers about the reception of crime stories in any medium (books, periodicals, radio, film, television, videogames, comic books, podcasts, etc.) and from any geographic area or time period (from Oedipus to contemporary Scandinavian noir). Possible topics might include (but are by no means limited to): the history of reviewing/criticism of detective stories; true-crime fandom; audience studies of cop shows; Sherlock Holmes and the general reader; Edgar Allan Poe and the canon; "Serial" and the podcast audience; Agatha Christie in print and on film; gender, sexuality, race/ethnicity and the marketing/reception of crime stories; reader-response and the form of the thriller; postcolonial crime fictions and diverse readerships. Please submit a proposal of 250 words or less and a one-page cv to Erin Smith at [erins@utdallas.edu](mailto:erins@utdallas.edu) and Philip Goldstein at [pgold@udel.edu](mailto:pgold@udel.edu) by 1 May 2017, so we will have time to assemble the complete panel for submission. Questions to Erin Smith at [erins@utdallas.edu](mailto:erins@utdallas.edu).

### CALL FOR PAPERS

The Seventh Biennial Conference of the RECEPTION STUDY SOCIETY

The Saint Paul Hotel and St. Catherine University

Sept. 21-23, Saint Paul, Minn.

Thursday through Sunday

The Reception Study Society promotes informal and formal exchanges between scholars in several related fields: reader-response criticism and pedagogy, reception history, history of reading and the book, audience and communication studies, institutional studies, and gender, race, ethnic, sexuality, postcolonial, religious, and other studies. We welcome presentations on all aspects of reception studies, but this year

we especially encourage papers and panels on the theme: "Feminist Reception: Celebrating Thirty Years," which commemorates the women's march on Washington as well as the publication of books like *Gender and Reading*, the anthology by Beth Flynn and Patsy Schweikart, who will be speaking at the conference.

Proposals for panels and papers in any of these areas are now welcome. Please submit proposals of 250 words or less, along with a one-page cv to Daniel Morris at [dmorris@purdue.edu](mailto:dmorris@purdue.edu) by May 15, 2017. Contact Professor Morris at [dmorris@purdue.edu](mailto:dmorris@purdue.edu) with any questions or queries.

Plenary Speakers:

Paula Rabinowitz, University of Minnesota

"Scenes of Women Reading/Scenes of Reading Women: The paperback revolution and feminist consciousness"

Sumana Chattopadhyay, Marquette University

"Understanding Voters in a Mediated World: Authoritarianism, Trust, Cynicism and Political Interest in Election 2016"

Patsy Schweikart, Purdue University

"Rereading Rereading: Gender and Reading thirty years later"

Reduced rate rooms will be available from The Saint Paul Hotel, a 2016 Condé Nast Traveler: Readers' Choice Award "Top 10 Hotels in the Midwest."

Selected conference papers will be solicited for publication in the RSS journal, *Reception: Texts, Readers, Audiences, History*, published by Penn State University Press. For information about the RSS, including membership information, past conferences, and the journal, please visit our website: <http://receptionstudy.org/>.

Registration Fees and Membership Dues:

Assistant Professors: \$80

Associate Professors: \$110

Full Professors: \$130

Students and all others: \$45

Saturday evening banquet (separate fee): \$35