

Flannery O'Connor Society
Call for Papers: ALA 2018

The Flannery O'Connor Society seeks proposals for two sessions to be held at the 2018 meeting of the American Literature Association at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco (May 24-27).

Both panels are open-topic, but the following are of special interest:

- O'Connor's influence by and/or on other authors
- O'Connor and the arts
- O'Connor and popular culture
- The relationship between the rural and urban in O'Connor's thought and fiction
- The politics of O'Connor's fiction and the "political turn" in O'Connor studies
- O'Connor's treatment of technology and the environment
- The treatment of gender in O'Connor's fiction
- Teaching sensitive topics—e.g., racism, sexism, sexuality, violence—in O'Connor
- Disease and/or disability in O'Connor's life and work
- *A Prayer Journal* and/or other materials from Emory University's MARBL collection

Please send proposals (300 words) to Mark Graybill at the following email address by **Friday, January 26, 2018**:

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