Poe Studies Association
ALA 2020

From Adam Lewis, PSA Member-at-Large:

Interrogating the ways in which human activity has fundamentally altered the global climate, interdisciplinary work in the environmental humanities has had an important and urgent influence on American literary studies. Considering issues such as multispecies relations, science and technology, energy extraction, natural landscapes and other geographies, nonhuman agencies, new materialism, and deep time, environmental humanities brings new theories and methods to bear on interpreting Poe and his work.

At the upcoming American Literature Association Conference in San Diego (May 21-24, 2020), the PSA will sponsor a panel on Poe’s Environmental Humanities, for which the PSA seeks proposals. To submit a proposal, please send a title and abstract of no more than 250 words to Adam Lewis at lewi0352@umn.edu. Please use “PSA ALA Panel 2020” for the subject line. The deadline for submissions is January 15, 2020. Panelists will be notified by January 20.

From Cristina Pérez, PSA Member-at-Large:

As humanists, we have been instructed to follow a strict no-laptop policy in our classrooms. By and large cellphones, tablets, and e-readers are forbidden in lectures, and professors often view such devices with critical suspicion and mistrust, certain that those objects compromise student attention and disable critical inquiry. Most recent pedagogical trends suggest, however, that greater digital accessibility in the classroom is an untapped resource.

At the upcoming American Literature Association Conference in San Diego (May 21-24, 2020), the PSA will sponsor a panel about Poe in the Wireless Classroom, for which the PSA seeks proposals. Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

-Teaching Poe outside the classroom
-Digital resources for teaching Poe
-Classroom projects on Poe via social media
-Mapping Poe online
-Poe in Digital Humanities
-Teaching Poe via VR, Yellowdig, edX, and other virtual platforms
-Multimodal responses to Poe

To submit a proposal, please send title and abstract of no more than 250 words to Cristina Pérez at cparranz@gmail.com; for the subject line, please use "PSA ALA Panel 2020." The deadline for submissions is January 15, 2020. Panelists will be notified by January 20.