The Society for the Study of the American Short Story invites proposals for papers to be presented at two panels at the ALA convention in San Diego. Proposals need cover only a single page and should contain one paragraph that is an abstract of the paper that is to be presented and a second one that is a brief biographical statement listing the credentials of the presenter. Current academic appointments and previous publications and presentations would be sufficient.

Papers are open to any aspect of the American short story, including analyses of single works and discussions of broad movements and time periods, story cycles, and emerging styles and designs within the genre. We seek scholarly approaches to writers from all racial, nationality, and religious traditions, and considerations of emerging or forgotten writers are especially welcome. Please send all proposals to the president of SSASS, Jim Nagel, at jnagel@uga.edu by January 20, 2020.