

Calls for Papers

The American Literature Association's Annual Conference will meet at the Manchester Grand Hyatt in San Diego, CA on May 21-24, 2020. The Nathaniel Hawthorne Society is issuing two CFPs for the conference:

1) Hawthorne and Neo-Aesthetics

The editors of *Aesthetics in a Multicultural Age* wonder what aesthetics would look like in a world that no longer "assumes that there are universal standards of beauty" (3). This panel, therefore, seeks papers that reconsider Hawthorne's work from a post- or neo-aesthetic perspective, including fresh ways to interrogate how judgment, heuristics, and standards of beauty function within his body of work. Short stories, longer works (such as *The Blithedale Romance* or *The Marble Faun*), and non-fiction (including the European notebooks) are all welcome.

2) Hawthorne and Fatherhood

We invite proposals for papers exploring aspects of "Hawthorne and Fatherhood." This may include, but is not limited to: Hawthorne as father; Julian's and Rose's memories of their father; missing fathers (as in Hawthorne's own); father stand-ins, such as grandfather in *Grandfather's Chair*; Dimmesdale as deadbeat father or Chillingworth as want-to-be father, leaving his money to Pearl; Coverdale and Hollingsworth avoiding fatherhood, though the latter wants to be some great paternal figure; barren men and husbands, as in *House of Seven Gables*; or other fathers in Hawthorne's shorter fiction.

Please submit abstracts of approximately 250 words to Nancy Sweet nsweet@csus.edu by January 11, 2020.

Travel Awards

The Nathaniel Hawthorne Society's "Challenge Campaign" supports Hawthorne-related research or conference travel for early career (pre-tenure) scholars, as well as post-secondary instructors at 2- or 4-year institutions; graduate students presenting papers or writing dissertations incorporating Hawthorne; and college students or secondary school teachers working on Hawthorne-focused projects.

Recipients must join the Hawthorne Society for the calendar year in which they receive their awards. Please see: <https://nathanielhawthornesociety.org/membership/> for information on dues and benefits.

For 2020, the Hawthorne Society will award recipients in each of the following categories:

Conference travel

a. \$350 to present an accepted paper at our annual ALA sessions or Triennial summer conference. Submit a 250-word abstract to Derek Pacheco dpacheco@purdue.edu by January 11,

2020. Abstracts should address of the Hawthorne Society's 2020 Call for Papers.

b. \$350 to present an accepted paper on Hawthorne at another relevant conference such as MLA. Submit a 250-word abstract to Derek Pacheco dpacheco@purdue.edu by March 2, 2020.

Research or Pedagogical Projects

\$350 to support a Hawthorne-related scholarly or pedagogical project. Please submit a 1-2-page proposal, letter of recommendation, and a list of expenses, to Derek Pacheco dpacheco@purdue.edu by May 1, 2020.