

Flannery O'Connor Society CFP for American Literature Association Meeting

Dates: Mary 21-24, 2020

Location: American Literature Association Meeting in San Diego, CA

Topic: The Laughter of Flannery O'Connor

This panel will investigate the work of humor and comedy in Flannery O'Connor's writing. It seeks papers that focus both on humor theories, O'Connor's debt/connection to popular humor of her day, the ties between her humor and her religious themes and ideas, and the influence her humor has had on subsequent writers. Presenters should feel free to deal both with her fiction and non-fiction. Papers may consider approaches to teaching O'Connor's humor, the commentary her work makes on comedy, or problems of changing concepts of humor, particularly in terms of race and gender.

Please send statements of intent now and full 300-word proposal by January 3, 2020 to Robert Donahoo, [eng\\_rxd@shsu.edu](mailto:eng_rxd@shsu.edu).