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Wednesday, 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm;
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The Conference Directors, along with the Executive Board of the ALA, wish to thank all of the society representatives and panelists for their contributions to the conference. This year has been particularly challenging, yet societies as well as individual contributors have come through with a variety of engaging panels: some pre-recorded, some hybrid, and some face-to-face. We are delighted to be together again, whether at the Westin or on screen, and we thank you all for your many efforts.

The American Literature Association expresses its thanks to Georgia Southern University and Rhodes College for their consistent support. Particular gratitude goes to ALA Executive Assistants, Emily Pittman and Konner Murray, Georgia Southern University, for their patient, careful oversight of countless details.

This year, the directors are especially appreciative of Rene H. Treviño, California State University at Long Beach, Director of Digital Resources, for his oversight and direction of the pre-recorded portion of this program. Thanks to Rene’s planning, his skills, his assistance to society members, and his patience, we are able to present 56 pre-recorded panels, available to everyone on our YouTube channel. We are deeply grateful for Rene’s insight and service.

We speak for all attendees, those attending virtually and those who are with us in person, when we express our sincerest gratitude to Alfred Bendixen, Princeton University, Founder and Executive Director of the American Literature Association, for his 32 years of devoted service--for his vision, his wisdom, and his humor.

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Best wishes from the Executive Board for a successful conference

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The hotel will provide free wireless access in the lobby but not in the conference area. You can receive free wireless access in your hotel room by joining the Marriott frequent guest program.
On-Site Program

Thursday, July 8, 2021
9:30 – 10:50 am

Session 1-A  Harriet Beecher Stowe Panel 1: Stowe’s Politics and Economics  (St. George B)
Organized by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Society

Chair: Andrew Donnelly, Harvard University

1. “Stowe’s Slavery and Stowe’s Capitalism: Forced Reproductive Labor in Uncle Tom’s Cabin,” Andrew Donnelly, Harvard University (in person)
4. “Feminine Ambition in Stowe’s Pink and White Tyranny,” Kristin Lacey, Boston University (in person)

Session 1-B  Dissentimentalism  (St. George C)
Organizer: Debra J. Rosenthal, John Carroll University

Chair: Laura Scales, Stonehill College

1. “The Afterlife of Sympathy: Dissentimentalism in Charles Chesnutt’s The Marrow of Tradition,” Faye Halpern, University of Calgary
2. “Really faking: Séances, Sentiment, and Realism in Howells and James,” Laura Scales, Stonehill College
3. “Economic tactics for Dissenting from Sentimental Family Obligations in Elizabeth Stuart Phelps,” Laura Korobkin, Boston University

Respondent: Mary Lou Kete, University of Vermont

Session 1-C  Philip Roth and the Return of History  (Essex North West)
Organized by The Philip Roth Society

Chair: Aimee Pozorski, Central Connecticut State University

1. “‘Expect the Vandals’: Roth’s Rescue Narratives at the Dawn of the Atomic Age,” James Bloom, Muhlenberg College
2. “Radical Alterity and the Cyclicity of History in Philip Roth’s The Plot Against America,” Cristina Chevereșan, West University of Timișoara
3. “Roth’s Last Men,” Andrew Dean, Deakin University
Session 1-D  Redefining the Feminine Self (Essex North East)

Chair: Wendy Martin, Claremont Graduate University

1. “‘American Desi?’: Diasporic Alienation in Indian-American Chick Lit,” Srijani Ghosh, University of California, Berkeley
2. “Gertrude Stein and Maternal Embodiment,” Deborah Wilson, Arkansas Tech University

Session 1-E  Identity (Essex North Center)

Chair: Alfred Bendixen, Princeton University

3. “You’re Illegal’: Ethnicization and Decoloniality in American Border-Crossing Literature,” Miranda McLeod, Rutgers University

Thursday, July 8, 2021
11:00 am – 12:20 pm

Session 2-A  Harriet Beecher Stowe Panel 2: Stowe’s Sympathy and Domesticity (St. George B)
Organized by the Harriet Beecher Stowe Society

Chair: LuElla D’Amico, University of the Incarnate Word

1. “Stowe, Alcott, and Home Economics,” Hollis Robbins, Sonoma State University (virtual presentation)
2. “Pathological Affect: Contagious Sympathy in Stowe’s Dred,” Kathleen Downes, University of Mississippi (in person)
Session 2-B  Creating an Archival Digital Edition: Collaborating, Editing, and Mentoring in and out of the Classroom  (St. George C)

Organizer and Chair: Lucinda Damon-Bach, Salem State University

2. "Editing the Papers of a Woman Scientist: The Ellen Swallow Richards Papers Project," Serenity Sutherland, SUNY Oswego, (Virtual/remote presentation)
5. “Documentary Editing in the Graduate Digital Humanities Classroom," Ashley Reed, Virginia Tech

Session 2-C  Eileen Myles Now! (Essex North West)
Organized by: Joel Duncan, University of Gothenburg

Chair: Leslie Petty, Rhodes College

2. “Eileen Myles Cruising,” Jack Parlett, Oxford University
3. “Eileen Myles in the Driver’s Seat,” Joel Duncan, University of Gothenburg

Session 2-D  Trauma, Kinship, and Speculative Latinx Literature (Essex North East)
Organized by Latina/o Literature and Culture Society

Chair: Cristina Herrera, California State University, Fresno

1. “We the Animals as Queer Latino Gothic: Diaries, Desire and the Impossibility of Normative Kinship,” Sofi Chávez, University of California, Berkeley (Virtual)
2. “Hauntologies of the Oppressed: Rereading Woman Hollering Creek as Domestic Horror,” Cathryn Merla-Watson, University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley
3. “Possibilities for Love and Allyship in The Grief Keeper by Alexandra Villasante,” Carolyn González, California State University, Monterey Bay
4. “[T]he story...I guided...it into my own body”: Embodied Transformation in Speculative Latinx Youth Literature,” Cristina Rhodes, Shippensburg University (Virtual)
Session 2-E  The Politics of Food (Essex North Center)

Chair:  Candace Waid, University of California Santa Barbara

1. “Hannaham’s Delicious Foods: Experiments with Feeding America,” Abha Sood, Monmouth University
3. “‘Virgie Sat Down in the Uncleared Kitchen and Ate Herself’: Resistant Food Discourses in Eudora Welty’s The Golden Apples,” Julia P. McLeod, University of Tennessee

Session 2-F  Cormac McCarthy I: Cormac McCarthy in Context: A Roundtable Discussion (Staffordshire)
Organized by the Cormac McCarthy Society

Moderator: Steven Frye, California State University, Bakersfield and editor of Cormac McCarthy in Context

Participants:
1. Olivia Carr Edenfield, Georgia Southern University
2. John Dudley, University of South Dakota
3. Lydia R. Cooper, Creighton University
4. Bryan Vescio, High Point University

Session 2-G  Business Meeting: The Philip Roth Society (Great Republic / 7th Floor)

Thursday, July 8, 2021
Lunch Break
12:20 – 1:30 pm

Thursday, July 8, 2021
1:30 – 2:50 pm

Session 3-A  Roundtable: Responses to Jeffrey Insko’s History, Abolition, and the Ever-Present Now in Antebellum American Writing (St. George B)
Organized by the Catharine Maria Sedgwick Society

Chair: Ashley Barnes, University of Texas at Dallas

1. Melissa Daniels-Rauterkus, University of Southern California
2. Matthew Crow, Hobart and William Smith Colleges
3. Cristin Ellis, University of Mississippi
4. David Brandt, Vanderbilt University
5. Maria Karamfilis, California State University, Los Angeles
Respondent: Jeffrey Insko, Oakland University
Session 3-B  American Literary Biography  (St. George C)
Organizer and Chair: Richard Kopley, Penn State DuBois

1. Susan Goodman, University of Delaware
2. Sandra Harbert Petruelionis, Penn State Altoona
3. Richard Kopley, Penn State DuBois
4. Megan Marshall, Emerson College

Session 3-C  Toni Morrison and Her Legacy  (Essex North West)
Organized by the Society for the Study of American Women Writers (SSAWW)

Chair: María Carla Sánchez, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

1. "'Seated at a Table, Facing Left, Writing With a Quill': Toni Morrison, Robin Coste Lewis, and the Classical Tradition." Grace McGowan, Boston University
2. "Pens and Needles: Toni Morrison, Quilts, and Community." Tracy Vaughn-Manley, Northwestern University

Session 3-D  Literature and Culture of the Great War  (Essex North East)
Organizer: Tim Dayton, Kansas State University

Chair: Adam Szetela, Cornell University

1. “Schismatic Nationality: American Great War Novels and the Problem of Collectivity,” Jonathan Vincent, Towson State University
3. The Strenuous Death: The Cult of the Dead in American First World War Poetry,” Tim Dayton

Session 3-E  Views from the Margins  (Essex North Center)

Chair: John Gruesser, Sam Houston State University

1. “Sade and the Rhetoric of Suicide,” Ery Shin, University of Southern Mississippi
2. “Connecting Sexuality, Art, and Color in ‘Smoke, Lilies and Jade,’” Breanna Hobbs Harris, Georgia Southern University
3. “Confronting Incompleteness: The Projection of the Self in the Writing of Sylvia Plath,” Melissa Santos, Bridgewater State University and Bristol Community College
Session 3-F Cormac McCarthy II: Complexity and the Natural World (Staffordshire)
Organized by the Cormac McCarthy Society

Chair: Bryan Vescio, High Point University

2. “Naturalism and Evil Incarnate: Cormac McCarthy's The Road," Steven Frye, California State University, Bakersfield

Thursday, July 8, 2021
3:00 – 4:20 pm

Session 4-A Indigeneity and The Ever-Present Now (St. George B)
Organized by the Catharine Maria Sedgwick Society

Chair: Jeffrey Insko, Oakland University

3. “History and Time in Catharine Maria Sedgwick’s Native American Tales," Ashley Reed, Virginia Tech
4. “‘The next we present before you are things very appalling': William Apess and Lydia Maria Child on ‘King Philip,’” Melissa Gniadek, University of Toronto

Session 4-B NEH Grant Opportunities and Resources (St. George C)
Beauty Bragg

This will be an interactive question and answer session as a follow-up to the NEH Pre-Recorded Panel, which may be accessed by following the directions provided in that section of the program. Participants in this Q&A are encouraged to watch the Pre-Recorded Panel, which provides an overview of funding opportunities offered by the NEH as well as tips for preparing competitive applications. In the pre-recorded session, Program officers—Dr. Beauty Bragg and Dr. Russell Wyland—provide an introduction to NEH programs, a primer on understanding the review process, and guidance on crafting an application. This video-conferencing session will provide an opportunity for addressing specific questions in a one-on-one format. There will be particular emphasis on programs of interest to ALA’s members, such as NEH Fellowships and the Collaborative Research and Scholarly Editions and Translations programs. Though not required, you are encouraged to watch the pre-recorded panel prior to attending.
Session 4-C  Mutinous Media and the Maritime World: Political Ecology Goes to Sea (Essex North West)
Organizers: Alison Glassie, Harvard University; Emelia Abbé Robertson, University of Michigan

Moderator: Craig Marin, Sea Education Association

2. “A Madeira-Smuggler’s Guide to Incensing the Public to Riot” Emelia Abbé Robertson, University of Michigan
4. “Melville, Shipboard Space, and Maritime Oppression” Mary K. Bercaw Edwards, University of Connecticut
5. “Narrative sovereignty: kalungas, carrancas, and freedom on the waves,” Geri Augusto, Brown University
6. “Olokun’s Aquarium: Speculative Sea Fiction and the Black Aquatic” Anne Alison Glassie, Harvard University

Session 4-D  The Politics of Space (Essex North East)

Chair: Joel Duncan, University of Gothenburg

1. "Racialized Spaces in Claudia Rankine’s The White Card," Angela Mullins, Rutgers University
2. “Expanding the Definition of a ‘Refugee’ in Héctor Tobar’s The Tattooed Soldier,” Alaina Kaus, Georgia Southwestern State University

Session 4-E  Important Themes in American Short Stories: A Roundtable Discussion (Essex North Center)
Organized by the Society for the Study of the American Short Story
A discussion session with an emphasis on audience participation.

Chair: James Nagel, University of Georgia

1. Leslie Petty, Rhodes College
2. Alfred Bendixen, Princeton University
3. Kirk Curnutt, Troy University
4. Wendy Martin, Claremont Graduate University
5. Karen Kilcup, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Session 4-F  Business Meeting: The Cormac McCarthy Society (Staffordshire)
Thursday, July 8, 2021
4:30 – 5:50 pm

Session 5-A  East-West Literary Exchange – Looking Back and Looking Forward  (St. George B)

Moderator: Robert Pavlik, Independent Scholar

1. “Part One”
James Mathew, Independent Scholar
Anna Anil George, Mount Tabor Training College, University of Kerala, India
Alan Jacob, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Alberta, Canada

2. “Part Two,” Kent Bicknell, Independent Scholar

Responder: Todd Lewis, College of the Holy Cross

Session 5-B  “Tempi All Exempt Except Tempest”: Ronald Johnson's Restless Ecologies  (St. George C)

Organizer and Chair: James Belflower, Siena College

1. “To Do As Adam Did’: Gardening and the Shape of Ronald Johnson’s Ecopoetic Career,” Mark Scroggins, Florida Atlantic University
2. “Father rafter // ever after / after every rafter’: Ronald Johnson’s Early Years,”
   Devin King, Independent Scholar
3. “Saturnalia Under Saturn: Historical Ronald Johnson,” Stephen Williams, Benedictine University

Session 5-C  Narrative Perspectives  (Essex North West)

Chair: Richard Kopley, Penn State DuBois

1. “Mrs. Newly-Wed Speaks for Her Servants: Labor, Capital, Race, and Narration in Alice Dunbar Nelson,” Howard Horwitz, University of Utah
2. “Confessing from the Margins: Viet Thanh Nguyen's The Sympathizer,” Ryan Siemers, Southern Utah University
3. “Frozen Solid: White Death in Mat Johnson's Pym,” Kate Soules, University of Rochester
Session 5-D  Perspectives on Children/Young Adults (Essex North East)

Chair: Karen Kilcup, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

2. "Picture Books in the Age of Neoliberalism," Adam Szetela, Cornell University

Session 5-E  Created Identities (Staffordshire)

Chair: Shirley Samuels, Cornell University


Session 5-F  Society for the Study of the American Short Story: Business Meeting (Essex North Center)

Thursday, July 8, 2021
6:00 – 7:30 pm
(Essex South)
Welcoming Reception

Friday, July 9, 2021
8:30 – 9:50 am

Session 6-A  Cummings’ Contact(s): Vision, Eco-Vitalism, and the Actual World (St. George B)
Organized by the E. E. Cummings Society

Chair: Bernard F. Stehle, Community College of Philadelphia

2. “look: begins to grow’: Cummings’ Topographical Art, Eco-Vitalism, and the Landscape of Wholeness in 1X1 (1944),” Gillian Huang-Tiller, University of Virginia’s College at Wise.
3. “Contact: The Real and the Actual in Thoreau, Moore, and Cummings,” Michael Webster, Grand Valley State University
Session 6-B  Being and Belonging  (St. George C)
Chair and Organizer: Marc Conner, Skidmore College

1.  “Ralph Ellison’s Invisible Man and the Postwar Discourse of the Common Man,” Michael Tavel Clarke, University of Calgary
2.  “[Freedom/Winthrop/New Prosperia]: A Set-Theoretical Reading of Belonging in Colson Whitehead’s Apex Hides the Hurt.” Cory M. Hudson, Illinois State University

Session 6-C  Thematizing “Becoming” in the Work of Herman Melville  (Essex North West)
Organized by the Melville Society

Chair Lenora Warren, Lecturer at Ithaca College

1.  “‘Becoming a ‘Blank’: Melville’s ‘Tartarus of Maids’ and the Diary of Paper Mill Worker,” Nancy Priest, Bridget M. Marshall, University of Massachusetts, Lowell
2.  "Melville and the Dilemma of Modernity," Andrew Carlyle Urban, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Session 6-D  The Civil War Reimagined  (Essex North East)
Organized by the Civil War Caucus

Chair: Kathleen Diffley, University of Iowa

1.  “The home and the camp so inseparable’: Northern Fictions and the Union Cause,” Allison M. Johnson, San Jose State University
2.  “Reconstructing the Literature of Care and Convalescence: Civil War Soldiers, Bedsides, and Hospitals,” Jane E. Schultz, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
3.  “Reenactment as Resistance,” Patricia Davis, Northeastern University

Friday, July 9, 2021
10:00 – 11:20 am

Session 7-A  Welty, Media, Modernism  (St. George B)
Organized by the Eudora Welty Society

Chair: Leslie Petty, Rhodes College

2.  “Pulp Fiction: Reading Magazine Culture in Eudora Welty,” Katie Berry Frye, Pepperdine University
3.  “Editor’s Choice: Journalism and Deviance in the Writing of Eudora Welty,” Donnie McMahand and Kevin Murphy, Towson University
4.  “Engraved Thunderclouds: Song and Violence in Delta Wedding,” Rebecca Mark, Director of the Institute for Women’s Leadership, Rutgers University
Session 7-B  Hawthorne and Fatherhood  (St. George C)
Organized by the Nathaniel Hawthorne Society

Chair: Charles Baraw, Southern Connecticut State University

1. “Divided Paternity: The Scarlet Letter’s Unstable American Father,” Muhammad Imran, University of Sahiwal
3. “The Death of the Father and the Death of Romance in Hawthorne,” Ariel Silver, Columbus Ohio Institute of Religion

Session 7-C  Civil War Monuments and Memorials: A Roundtable (Essex North West)
Organized by the Civil War Caucus

Chair: Jane E. Schultz, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

1. “Philadelphia’s Centennial Fair of 1876,” Kathleen Diffley, University of Iowa
2. “Intermedial Memories: Commemorating the Materialities of Print and War,” James Berkey, Penn State Brandywine
3. “Britain Recalls the Civil War,” Christopher Hanlon, Arizona State University
4. “Mind the Gaps (in the Archive): How to Memorialize Local Black Lives?,” Emily Donaldson Field, Bridgewater State University

Session 7-D  Influences and Genres  (Essex North East)

Chair: Robert Donahoo, Sam Houston State University

1. “The Revolution and Postbellum Transcendentalist Religious Reform,” Todd H. Richardson, University of Texas of the Permian Basin
2. “And although pratfalls can be fun/encores can be fatal: Dave Eggers’s The Captain and the Glory and American satire,” Ryan E. Pine, Bryn Athyn College

Session 7-E  Media and Marketing (Essex North Center)

Chair: Deborah Clarke, Arizona State

1. "Reclaiming the Literary Marketplace in Douglass's My Bondage and My Freedom," Blevin Shelnutt, University of North Carolina Wilmington
2. “James Baldwin and the Confines of the Autobiographical,” Tyrone Simpson, Vassar College
3. “A Circus In-Print: How the Mass Media Spectacle Manufactures History in Robert Coover’s The Public Burning,” Tim Urban, Southern Methodist University
Session 7-F  Jack London: Revolution, YA Writings, Race, and Boxing (Staffordshire)
Organized by the Jack London Society

Chair: Steven Frye, California State University, Bakersfield

2. “The Magic of Your Phrases”: Suspicious Reading and Revolution in The Iron Heel, Marc Blanc, Washington University, St. Louis

Friday, July 9, 2021
11:30 – 12:50 pm

Session 8-A  Defiance and Forbearance in Mary E. Wilkins Freeman (St. George B)
Organized by the Mary E. Wilkins Freeman Society

Chair: Daniel Mrozowski, Trinity College

1. “’A Literary Bomb-Shell’: Old Maids, Defiance, and Mary E. Wilkins Freeman,” Austin Carter, University of California, Irvine
2. “Not Taking No for an Answer: Relentless Suitors in Short Stories by Mary Eleanor Wilkins Freeman,” H.J.E. Champion, Université Bordeaux Montaigne and the University of Eastern Finland
3. Dramatic Performance of “The Parrot” by Mary E. Wilkins Freeman, Michèle LaRue, Tales Well Told

Session 8-B  Geology, Neurology, and the Archives: New Directions in Chesnutt Scholarship (St. George C)
Organized by the Charles W. Chesnutt Association

Chair: Stephanie Browner, The New School

1. “Revitalizing the Charles Chesnutt Digital Archive,” Karin Dalziel and Ashlyn Stewart, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
2. “The People, —By Which Is Meant the Whole People’: Populism and The Marrow of Tradition,” Andrew Alquesta, Tufts University
3. “Neurasthenia and Racial Uplift in Chesnutt’s Work,” Bill Hardwig, University of Tennessee
4. “Swamped: Setting the Competition Between Conjure and Geology in Chesnutt’s Fiction,” Amanda Lowe, Columbia University
Session 8-C Finding Old Ways to Be New: New Directions for the Robert Frost Society (Essex North East)
Organized by The Robert Frost Society

Chair: Daniel W. Toomey, Landmark College


Session 8-D Trajectories in Southern Studies I (Essex North West)
Organized by the Society for the Study of Southern Literature

Chair: William Murray, Baylor University

1. “Southern Cityscapes: Conceptions of Innocence in the South’s Cities,” William Murray, Baylor University
2. “Locked by the Lawless: A Review of Incarceration in Southern Literature,” Elizabeth Steeby, University of New Orleans
3. “The Grim, Gritty, Gorgeous Fiction of Larry Brown, or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Grit Lit,” Jay Ingrao, University of Texas at Dallas

Session 8-E Early American Interests (Essex North Center)

Chair: James Nagel, University of Georgia

1. “The Depiction of the Native Americans in A Narrative of the Captivity and Restoration of Mrs. Mary Rowlandson,” James Tackach, Roger Williams University

Session 8-F Business Meeting: Society for the Study of American Travel Writing (Staffordshire)

Friday July 9, 2021
Lunch Break
12:50 – 2:00 pm
Friday, July 9, 2021  
2:00 – 3:20 pm

**Session 9-A  Approaches to Teaching Kate Chopin Round Table (St. George B)**
Organized by the Kate Chopin International Society

Chair: David Z. Wehner, Mount St. Mary’s University

1. “A Philosophical Approach to Teaching Kate Chopin’s ‘The Storm,’” Linda Crenshaw, Austin Peay State University (Virtual presentation)
2. “Never again to belong to another then herself: Teaching *The Awakening* as an Introduction to Feminist Theory in Literature Classrooms,” Chelsea Fabian, University of Missouri-Columbia and Britt Wilson, Salisbury University
3. “Explaining the Concept of ‘Window’ in Chopin’s Works as a Literary Vehicle,” Sonika Islam, Eastern University-Bangladesh (Virtual presentation)
4. "Reimagining the End of Kate Chopin’s *The Awakening* as Critical, Creative Practice," Christina Katopodis, City University of New York (Virtual presentation)

**Session 9-B  Justice, Politics, and Form: Chesnutt Then and Now (St. George C)**
Organized by the Charles W. Chesnutt Association

Chair: Bill Hardwig, University of Tennessee

1. “Mob Violence and Legal Justice in Chesnutt’s ‘The Sheriff’s Children,’” John Barton, University of Missouri-Kansas City
2. “Reevaluating Current Contemporary Concerns in Light of Chesnutt’s ‘Race Prejudice,’” Samantha Gilmore, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
3. “The Sympathetic Mind of a Northern Woman: Magic as Transcultural Discourse in Charles Chesnutt’s *The Conjure Woman*,” Carson Eschmann, University of Virginia

**Session 9-C  Self & Identity (Essex North West)**

Chair: Marshall Bruce Gentry, Georgia College

1. “Simon J. Ortiz and the Power of Recognition,” Carolyn Kuchera, University of New Mexico-Gallup
2. “Clear as a Bell(e): Losing the Lost Cause and Finding a Feminist,” Amy Pardo, Mississippi University for Women
Session 9-D  Elizabeth Oakes Smith’s Feminist 50s: The Theatre, The Novel, and *The Egeria* (Essex North East)
Organized by the Elizabeth Oakes Smith Society

Chair: Rebecca Jaroff, Ursinus College

3. “Zenobia’s Retort: Oakes Smith’s *Bertha and Lily* (1854) as response to Hawthorne’s *Blithedale Romance* (1852),” Heriberto Pelaez, Northeastern Illinois University

Session 9-E  F. Scott Fitzgerald (Essex North Center)
Organized by the F. Scott Fitzgerald Society

Moderator: Kirk Curnutt, Troy University

1. Brooke Capolino, Independent Scholar
2. Maggie Gordon Froehlich, The Pennsylvania State University, Hazleton
3. Leslie Petty, Rhodes College
4. Kirk Curnutt, Troy University

Session 9-F  Writing War in the 21st Century: Unbound Perspectives on the Global War on Terror (Staffordshire)

Chair: Melissa Parrish, Smith College

1. “A 21st Century Chapter for *The Soldiers’ Tale,*” Hilary Lithgow, UNC Chapel Hill
2. “Wayward Warfaring: Black Voices in Contemporary War-Writing,” Peter Molin, Rutgers University
3. “‘A precious jewel amid the wreckage of this country’: Contemporary Iraqi War Fiction,” Stacey Peebles, Centre College
4. “What Kind of Crazy Fits This War?’ Considering the ‘Global’ in the Global War on Terror,” Brian Williams, Tennessee Tech University
Friday, July 9, 2021
3:30 – 4:50 pm

Session 10-A  Exploring and Comparing Kate Chopin’s Writing Through Food and Family (St. George B)
Organized by the Kate Chopin International Society

Chair: Kathryn O’Donoghue, Suffolk County Community College-Grant

1. “Eating Their Words: The Connection Between Food and Speech in *The Awakening*,” Ann V. Bliss, Texas A&M University-San Antonio
2. “Edna's ‘Uneven, Impulsive’ Relationship to Childhood, Motherhood, and the American Family’s Structure in Kate Chopin’s *The Awakening*,” Madeline Gottlieb, Binghamton University (Virtual presentation)
3. "Her Life, Her Letters: A Reading of Chopin and Tagore,” Kaberi Chatterjee, Scottish Church College

Session 10-B  Sonnets, Sentence Sounds, and Quantum Poetics  (St. George C)
Organized by the Robert Frost Society

Chair: Daniel W. Toomey, Landmark College

1. "The Sonnets of A Boy’s Will," Eleanor Wakefield, University of Oregon
2. “The Road Not Taken’: A Sentence Sound Analysis,” Gavin Smith, Western Sydney University
3. “Quantum Poetics,” Gi Taek Ryoo, Chungbuk National University

Session 10-C  Hawthorne and Aesthetics  (Essex North West)
Organized by the Nathaniel Hawthorne Society

Chair: Ariel Silver, Columbus Ohio Institute of Religion

1. “Come Home, Dear Child — Poor Wanderer”: Hawthorne’s Struggles with Theological Aesthetics,” Amy Oatis, University of the Ozarks [Virtual Presentation]
2. “‘Playing (with) Fantasy’: Hawthorne’s Aesthetics of Reading in *The House of the Seven Gables,*” Yuta Ito, University of Utah
Session 10-D  Lyrical Techniques / Lyrical Visions  (Essex North East)

Chair: Ryan Siemers, Southern Utah University

1. “(Not) Giving Evidence: Lyric and Document in the Work of Claudia Rankine and Layli Long Solider,” Anne Shea, California College of the Arts
2. “Stephen Crane, Friedrich Nietzsche and the Aphoristic Disposition,” Dean Casale, Kean University
3. “the otherness, yours: C.K. Williams with Stanley Cavell,” Reena Sastri, University of Edinburgh

Session 10-E  The Current and Future State of American Literary Studies: A Roundtable Discussion (Staffordshire)

Moderator: Alfred Bendixen, Princeton University
1. Stephanie Burt, Harvard University
2. Tess Chakkalakal, Bowdoin College
3. Sarah Chinn, Hunter College, CUNY
4. Ella Crabtree, Bowdoin College
5. Karen Kilcup, University of North Carolina, Greensboro
6. Wendy Martin, Claremont Graduate University
7. D. Quentin Miller, Suffolk University
8. Shirley Samuels, Cornell University
9. Candace Waid, University of California Santa Barbara

Session 10-F  Business Meeting: the Elizabeth Oakes Smith Society  (Essex North Center)

Friday, July 9, 2021
5:00 – 6:20 pm

Session 11-A  Business Meeting: Pauline Hopkins Society  (Essex North East)

Session 11-B  Business Meeting: Nathaniel Hawthorne Society  (Essex North West)

Session 11-C  Business Meeting: The Kate Chopin International Society  (Essex North Center)
Saturday, July 10, 2021
8:30 – 9:50 am

Session 12-A  Roundtable: (Post)Pandemic Thoreau (St. George B)
Organized by the Thoreau Society

Chair: John J. Kucich, Bridgewater State University

1. “Thoreau’s Year of Observation,” Hans Bergman, Quinnipiac University
2. “Pardon Me, for an Instant: Thoreau, Radical Activism, Politics, and the Press,” Carol DeGrasse, Southern Methodist University
5. “Lessons for Leaving the House,” Nicholas Howard, Bridgewater State University

Session 12-B  A Small Boy and Others: Henry James and the Child (St. George C)
Organized by the Henry James Society

Chair: Beverly Haviland, Brown University

2. “A Small Girl and No Others: Maisie’s Singular Childhood,” Julie Rivkin, Connecticut College

Respondent: Greg Zacharias, Creighton University

Session 12-C  Round Table: The Letters of Ralph Ellison (Essex North West)
Organized by the Ralph Ellison Society

Moderator: Marc Conner, Skidmore College

1. Allen McFarlane, New York University
2. Adam Bradley, University of Colorado at Boulder
3. Brandy Underwood, University of California, Los Angeles
Session 12-D  Changing Perspectives: Adjusting American Literature Lenses  (Essex North East)

Chair: Gabriela Almendarez, University of California, Riverside

2. “Children of the Land: Immigrant Perspectives as Counternarratives,” Ronnie K. Stephens, Tarrant County College
3. “Uncle Remus’s Red Velvet Hat: Reading Joel Chandler Harris’s *Uncle Remus* as an Alternative History,” Robyn Johnson, University of California Riverside

Session 12-E  Thornton Wilder: New Approaches at Home and Reception Abroad  (Essex North Center)

Organized by the Thornton Wilder Society

Chair: Park Bucker, University of South Carolina Sumter.

1. “The Uncoupling of Humanity aboard ‘Pullman Car Hiawatha’,” Troy Coleman, University of Colorado Boulder
2. “Voicing the Voiceless: Marginalized Communities in Wilder’s ‘Pullman Car Hiawatha’,” Heather Kelley, University of Colorado Boulder
3. “The Antrobus Family and Climate Change,” Ben Stasny, University of Colorado Boulder

Session 12-F  Two Gileads in Contemporary Fiction: Margaret Atwood and Marilynne Robinson  (Staffordshire)

Organized by the American Religion and Literature Society and the Marilynne Robinson Society

Chair: Andrew Ball, Harvard University

1. “Political Religion and Puritanism Reinterpreted in Marilynne Robinson’s and Margaret Atwood’s Gileads,” Liz Duke, Southern Methodist University
2. “‘Better never means better for everyone’: Religion and Social Justice in Teaching Gilead and *The Handmaid’s Tale*,” Kathryn Ludwig, Ball State University
**Session 13-A  Thoreau in the Anthropocene (St. George B)**
Organized by the Thoreau Society

Chair: John J. Kucich, Bridgewater State University

1. “Biophony in the Anthropocene: Changes to the Avian Soundscape Since Thoreau’s Time at Walden Pond.” Rebecca Durham, University of Montana
2. “Inevitable Contamination and Productive Complicity: Thoreau’s Impure Ethics for the Anthropocene.” Andrew Bishop, Ohio State University
4. “The Foulest Water Will Bubble Purely”: Thoreau’s Embodied Attention and Unsettling the Built Environment,” Helen Yang, Yale University

**Session 13-B  Art or Theology?: the Past and Future of Reading Flannery O’Connor (St. George C)**
Organized by the Flannery O’Connor Society

Chair: Robert Donahoo, Sam Houston State University

1. "When Sunday Never Comes: Abandoning Anagoge in Flannery O’Connor’s Death Scenes," Jason Anthony Walker, University of Texas at Dallas
2. "Why Do the Heathen Read (Flannery O’Connor)?: Attachment, the Ironic Sublime, and an Agnostic's Relation to 'Revelation,'” Bruce Henderson, Ithaca College
3. "O'Connor as an Artist of Interest to Theologians," Marshall Bruce Gentry, Georgia College

**Session 13-C  Illness, Society and the Self (Essex North West)**
Organized by the Henry James Society

Moderator: Sarah Wadsworth, Marquette University

1. ““Loose Screws and Loose Ends: Psychosis in The Turn of the Screw,” Beverly Haviland, Brown University
2. “It has been contagious': Succumbing to Dickensian Germs in Henry James’s Maud-Evelyn,” Rachel Bryant, All Souls College, University of Oxford, UK
3. “How Queer Was Young William James?”, Korey Garibaldi, University of Notre Dame
5. “Teaching Daisy Miller in Pandemic Times,” Sarah Wadsworth, Marquette University
Session 13-D  Interdisciplinary Approaches to David Foster Wallace I (Essex North East)
Organized by the International David Foster Wallace Society

Chair: Daniel Leonard, Boston University

2. “It's all optional; do it or die': David Foster Wallace, Gregory Bateson, and the vicious logic of the double bind,” Peter Schneider, University of Vienna (Austria)
3. “David Foster Wallace and Meritocratic Anxiety,” E. Thomas Finan, Boston University

Saturday, July 10, 2021
11:30 am – 12:50 pm

Session 14-A  Keywords in the Study of Religion and American Literature – A Roundtable Discussion (St. George B)
Organized by the American Religion and Literature Society

Moderator: Ryan Siemers, Southern Utah University

1. “Postsecularity,” William Gonch, University of Maryland, College Park
2. “Vocation,” Ashley Barnes, University of Texas, Dallas
3. “Irony,” M. Cooper Harriss, Indiana University
4. “Belief,” Vincent Pecora, University of Utah
5. “Sin,” Leslie E. Wingard, College of Wooster

Session 14-B  Animals in the Classics II: How Natural History Inspired Great American Fiction (St. George C)
Organizer and Chair: John Gruesser, Sam Houston State University

2. "Mad Dogs and Maycomb: Mockingbird's Call for an Indefinite South," Robert Donahoo, Sam Houston State University
4. "Whales, Mother Carey's Chickens, and a Heart Stricken Moose in Herman Melville's Moby-Dick," Brian Yothers, University of Texas at El Paso
Session 14-C  Interdisciplinary Approaches to David Foster Wallace II (Essex North West)
Organized by the International David Foster Wallace Society

Chair: E. Thomas Finan, Boston University

1. “‘Fiction’s about what it means to be a fucking human being’: Sincerity, Sexuality, and David Foster Wallace’s *The Broom of the System,*” Zachary Laminack, The University of North Carolina at Pembroke
3. “No Strings Attached: Infinite Superability in David Foster Wallace’s Tennis Essays,” Michelle Rabe, University of Texas at Austin
4. “David Foster Wallace and the Traditional American Family™,” Oliver J. Hancock, University of Liverpool

Session 14-D  James Fenimore Cooper on Society and War (Essex North East)
Organized by the James Fenimore Cooper Society

Chair: Luis A. Iglesias, University of Southern Mississippi

1. “The Demon Firewater: The Drunken Indian and Native American Identity in James Fenimore Cooper’s *Leather-stocking Tales* and William Apess’s *A Son of the Forest,*” Christopher Allan Black, Auburn University
2. “The dark and tangled pathway”: Navigating Space in *The Last of the Mohicans,*” Sheila Byers, Columbia University
3. “*Lionel Lincoln,* or Lechmere’s Revenge,” Barbara Alice Mann, The University of Toledo

Session 14-E  Literature and the Land (Essex North Center)

Chair: Breanna Hobbs Harris, Georgia Southern University

1. “Anti-Slavery Literature and Environmental Damage,” Michael Evans, The Catholic University of America
2. “Haunted by Ghosts of the Plantationocene: Nonhuman Specters and Extinction in Henry Clay Lewis’s ‘Valerian and the Panther,’” Anna Bills, Louisiana State University

Session 14-F  Business Meeting: Flannery O’Connor Society (Staffordshire)

Saturday, July 10, 2021
Lunch Break
12:50 - 2:00 pm
Saturday, July 10, 2021
2:00 – 3:20 pm

Session 15-A  Narrating History, Home, and Dyaspora: Critical Essays on Edwidge Danticat  (St. George B)
Organized by the Edwidge Danticat Society

Moderator: Maia L. Butler, University of Wilmington North Carolina
Moderator: Megan Feifer, Medaille College
Moderator: Joanna C. Davis-McEIligatt, University of North Texas

1. “Lot bò dlo and the Spatial Relations of Dyaspora,” Gwen Bergner, West Virginia University
2. “Intertextually Weaving a Home-Place: Viewing the Past as Present in Breath, Eyes, Memory and Untwine,” Tammie Jenkins, Independent Scholar
3. “Edwidge Danticat: The Ethics of Disobedient Writing,” Isabel Caldeira, University of Coimbra, Portugal

Session 15-B  History in/and Multi-Ethnic Literature  (St. George C)
Organized by the MELUS Society

Chair: Martha J. Cutter, University of Connecticut

1. “Beyond the Ghetto: Jewish Women's Writing and Ethnic Literary Studies,” Lori Harrison-Kahan, Boston College
2. “The Art of Double Fugue in Rabih Alameddine’s The Angel of History,” Mazen Naous, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Session 15-C  Women in the Nineteenth Century—Traveling, Writing, Speaking  (Essex North West)
Organized by the Margaret Fuller Society

Chair: Leslie Eckel, Suffolk University

1. "More Radical, Than Ever': Fuller’s Voyage to Italy and the Transformative Experience of Love," Alice de Galzain, University of Edinburgh
2. “The shortest way of learning: Knowledge, Class, and Audience in Maria Graham’s Journal of a Residence in Chile During the Year 1822,” Patricia Frick, Otterbein University
3. "' Abilities and Disabilities': Visions of Mission in Rebecca Cox Jackson’s and Caroline Crane Marsh’s Writings,” Etta Madden, Missouri State University
Session 15-D Literatures of Displacement (Essex North East)
Organized by the Circle for Asian American Literary Studies (CAALS)

Chair: Timothy K. August, Stony Brook University

3. “‘Yes, yes’ and ‘No-no’: Styles of Displacement and Loyalty in ‘Seventeen Syllables’ and No-No Boy,” Rowshan Chowdhury, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Session 15-E The Spy, Bicentennial: James Fenimore Cooper, The American Author (Essex North Center)
Organized by the James Fenimore Cooper Society

Chair: Lance Schachterle, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

1. “Cooper’s The Spy: The Sublime American Apocalypse,” Ian Pittman, University of Southern Mississippi
2. “There’s no profit in being an Honorable Spy: Cooper’s The Spy and the Economics of Espionage in Spy Fiction,” Luis A. Iglesias, University of Southern Mississippi
4. “James Fenimore Cooper and the Masquerade of Neutral Ground,” Barbara Rumbinas, Independent Scholar

Saturday, July 10, 2021
3:30 – 4:50 pm

Session 16-A Bedford Avenue and Beyond: The Conceptual Landscape of August Wilson (St. George B)
Organized by the August Wilson Society

Chair: J. Ken Stuckey, Bentley University

1. “‘Dark Was the Night and Cold Was the Ground’: August Wilson’s Twentieth Century Slave Narrative,” William M. Purcell, Seattle Pacific University
Session 16-B  Religion and Utopia in American Literature: Post-1900  (St. George C)
Organized by the American Religion and Literature Society

Chair: Kathryn Ludwig, Ball State University

1. “Islamic Secularism in G. Willow Wilson’s *Alif the Unseen*,” Dave Morris, University of Illinois
2. “Utopia or Apocalypse in Frank Peretti’s *This Present Darkness*,” Christopher Douglas, University of Victoria
3. “Puritans, Parabolas, and the End of History: Pynchon’s Parodic Utopia in *Gravity’s Rainbow*,” Eric Blix, University of Utah

Session 16-C  Teaching and Practicing Feminism(s) in 2021  (Essex North West)
Organized by the Margaret Fuller Society

Chair: Jana Argersinger, Independent scholar

1. “Feminist Genealogies, Feminist Pedagogies: How Fuller Teaches Us to Imagine Public Humanities in 2021,” Mollie Barnes, University of South Carolina–Beaufort
2. “Fourth Wave Feminism and Fuller’s *The Great Lawsuit*,” Amy Branam Armiento, Frostburg State University
4. “Teaching Margaret Fuller’s Feminist Archive,” Jess Libow, Emory University

Session 16-D  “Behold, I am doing a new thing”: Form and Ritual in Modern Literature  (Essex North East)
Organized by the Jonathan Bayliss Society

Chair: Stephen Farrell, Jonathan Bayliss Society

1. “Form and Scale in Olson’s Short Poems,” Andrew David King, University of California, Davis
2. “Olson’s Address,” Joseph E. Fritsch, Emory University
6. “Nuclear Poetics or Hydropoetics: Reclaiming Olson’s Kinetic Field,” Briony Hughes, Royal Holloway, University of London

Session 16-E  Business Meeting: Edwidge Danticat Society  (Staffordshire)
Saturday, July 10, 2021
5:00 – 6:20 pm

Session 17-A  Business Meeting: American Religion and Literature Society (St. George C)

Session 17-B  Business Meeting: James Fenimore Cooper Society (Staffordshire)

Session 17-C  Business Meeting: Margaret Fuller Society (Essex North West)

Saturday, July 10, 2021
5:30 – 7:00 pm
Essex South
Closing Reception

Pre-Recorded Sessions

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**Pre-recorded ALA sessions are listed below:**

**African American Literature and Culture Society**  
Kintu, Muntu, Nommo: Directions in African American Literary Studies  
Chair: Aldon Lynn Nielsen, Penn State University

1. "Healing in Community: Toni Cade Bambara's Literary Legacy of Health Activism," Belinda Waller-Peterson, Moravian College  
3. "Undisputed Dignity: Recovering Anna Julia Cooper's Poetry and Her Reimagination of Black Cultural History," Sabrina Lapearl Evans, Penn State University

**The American Religion and Literature Society**  
Religion and Utopia in American Literature: Pre-1900  
Chair: Dave Morris, University of Illinois

1. “Phillis Wheatley and Religious Liberty,” John C. Havard, Auburn University at Montgomery  
2. “Paradise Pre-Gained: Heavenly Voices and Visions in the Memoir of Old Elizabeth, a Coloured Woman,” Andrea Frankwitz, Gordon College  

**American Theatre & Drama Society**  
Staging Democracy: Politics and Political Figures in 20th/21st Century American Drama  
Chair: Al (Mohammadali) Dabiri, University of Missouri- Columbia

2. “Votes for Women; a pastoral comical tragical historical dramatization of the ratification of The Nineteenth Amendment,” Al (Mohammadali) Dabiri, the University of Missouri- Columbia
The Arthur Miller Society
New Perspectives on Arthur Miller Studies

Chair: David Palmer, Massachusetts Maritime Academy

1. “Imperialism, Italian Identity, and Otherness in A View from the Bridge,” Olfa Gandouz, University of Monastir, Tunisia
3. “Arthur Miller’s Bedtime Stories,” Stephen Marino, St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY

Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment (ASLE)
Extinction in American Literature, Art, and Culture

Chair: Helena Feder, East Carolina University

2. “Close(ly) reading auk extinction with Walton Ford,” Nicole Merola, Rhode Island School of Design
4. “Extinction and Slow Art,” Helena Feder, East Carolina University

The Charles Olson Society
Outside the Western Box—Olson in Search of the Primary I

Chair: Joshua Hoeynck, Case Western Reserve University

1. “The Informing Body: from Archeology to Physiology to Poetics; Olson’s Lectures on the New Sciences of Man,” Jeff Gardiner, Independent Scholar
2. “Losing it at the Library: John Wieners, Samuel Noah-Kramer, and the Archaic Sought,” Michael Seth Stewart, University of Alabama
3. “Passages: Olson, Norse Myths, and Runic Script,” Luke Franklin, University of King’s College

The Charles Olson Society
Outside the Western Box—Olson in Search of the Primary II

Chair: Joshua Hoeynck, Case Western Reserve University

2. “That Which Does Not Possess Grammar Until It Does,” J. Peter Moore, Purdue University
3. “Tawil: Olson’s Hermeneutics of the World,” Jeff Davis, Poet & Independent Scholar
The Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Domesticity, Mental Illness, and Trauma: Reconsidering Charlotte Perkins Gilman’s “The Yellow Wallpaper”

Chair: Hannah Huber, University of the South

2. “The Legacy of Gilman’s Wallpaper in Giovanni’s Room and ‘A Temporary Matter,’” Ruth Maxey, University of Nottingham

The Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
New Readings of Charlotte Perkins Gilman’s Herland

Chair: Jana Rivers-Norton, Colorado Technical University

1. “Mastering Scientific Management: Collective Rest and Social Energy in Charlotte Perkins Gilman’s Moving the Mountain and Herland,” Hannah Huber, University of the South
2. “Compassionate Control: The Sentimental and Economic Roots of Herland,” Justin Chandler, Miami University
4. “Futurity without Desire: Herland and Queering Darwinian Narratives,” Stephanie Vastine, University of North Texas

The Cinema Television Literature Association
Film and Literary Texts

Chair: Christine Danelski, California State University, Los Angeles

2. "From Page to Stage and Screen: Okwui Okpokwasili's Bronx Gothic and the Revision of Toni Morrison's The Bluest Eye," Caroline A. Brown, University of Montreal
The Emily Dickinson International Society
Dickinson and Greenness:

Chairs: Elizabeth A. Petrino, Fairfield University, Renée Bergland Simmons University, Li-hsin Hsu National Chengchi University

1. “This Whole Experiment of Green’: Teaching Emily Dickinson in the Anthropocene--now more than ever for the class of 2025,” Barbara Mossberg, University of Oregon
3. “Had Nature an Apostate': Emily Dickinson, Scale, and Fungal Companionship," Karen Leona Anderson, St. Mary's College of Maryland
4. “Emily Dickinson’s Sphere of Green," Renée Bergland, Simmons University
5. “Ecogothic Dickinson,” Li-hsin Hsu, National Chengchi University

The Emily Dickinson International Society
Dickinson in Her and Our Time

Chairs: Elizabeth A. Petrino, Fairfield University, Renée Bergland Simmons University, Li-hsin Hsu, National Chengchi University

1. “Much Madness is divinest Sense’: Exploring Kantian Transcendentality through the Dickinsonian Mind,” Mousumi G. Banerjee, The English and Foreign Languages University
2. “This Smart Misery’: Emily Dickinson and Spiritual Intellectualism," Amy L. Crawford, the University of Central Florida
3. “Robbed Time: Emily Dickinson, Rhythm, and Rubato,” Gerard Holmes, University of Maryland (US)
4. “Hope’ is the thing with feathers” as Twitter Ritual", Micah Bateman, The University of Iowa
5. “Dickinson’s Transnational Landscapes," Christa Holm Vogelius, University of Copenhagen

The Edith Wharton Society
Reading Edith Wharton at Times of Crisis: Precarity, Vulnerability, and Risk in Her Late Fiction

Chair: Sheila Liming, Champlain College

1. “Interpreting Architecture as a Site of Precarity in Edith Wharton’s Hudson River Bracketed,” Mindy Buchanan-King, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
2. “Edith Wharton and White Male Outsiderism,” Arielle Zibrak, University of Wyoming
The Eudora Welty Society
Eudora Welty and the Body

Chair: Annette Trefzer, University of Mississippi

1. “Eudora Welty, Performativity, and the Speaking Body,” Stephen Fuller, Middle Georgia State University
2. “Welty: Southern Elegy,” Alex Werrell, Hopkins School

The Eugene O’Neill Society
Covid, Regional Theater, and the Future: A Round-Table Discussion
Session Description: The Covid pandemic brought significant challenges to live theatre. Directors and actors from five regional theaters discuss what these challenges were, how they were met, what lessons were learned, and how this experience may influence how they run their theater companies in the future.

Moderator: Alexander Pettit, University of North Texas and The Eugene O’Neill Review

2. Geoff Elliot & Julia Rodriguez-Elliot: A Noise Within, Pasadena, CA
4. Ciarán O’Reilly: The Irish Repertory Theatre, New York, NY
5. Alex Roe: Metropolitan Playhouse, New York, NY

The Ernest Hemingway Society
Hemingway's Islands in the Stream at 50: A Reconsideration

Chair: Mark Cirino, University of Evansville

3. “But this is a good place now': The Moral Coding of Space and Place in Hemingway's Islands in the Stream,” Kayla Forrest, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
4. “Violence in Islands in the Stream,” Suzanne del Gizzo, Chestnut Hill College
5. “Eight Times as Deep as it Looks:’ Thinking Along with Thomas Hudson,” Mark Cirino, University of Evansville

The Haiku Society of America
American Haiku

3. “American Haiku in the New Millennium,” Ce Rosenow, Lane Community College
4. "Sedgewick, Vuong, and Beyond: How Contemporary American Poetry is Experimenting with Haibun," Aubrie Cox Warner, University of Louisville
The Jim Harrison Society
Responding to the Poetry of Jim Harrison: Texts and Voices
Chair: Christopher “CW” Johnson, University of Minnesota Duluth

1. “Spatialized Imagery and Storied Place-Events in The Theory and Practice of Rivers,” Scott Hendry, University of Oklahoma.

Job Market Roundtable
Organizer and Chair: LuElla D’Amico, University of the Incarnate Word

1. Jason Payton, University of Georgia
2. Monica Urban, College of the Sequoias
3. Luis Iglesias, University of Mississippi
4. Cecilia Rosenow, Lane Community College
5. Maythee Rojas, California State University

The Kay Boyle Society
Kay Boyle's Lives
Chair: Sandra Spanier, Pennsylvania State University

2. “Why it Matters that Kay Boyle’s Irises are Blooming in My Garden: The Challenge of Writing Truthful Fiction,” Carol Piasente, Independent Scholar
3. “Kay Boyle's Correspondence with James Laughlin,” Krista Quesenberry, Albion College

The Kay Boyle Society
Vulnerable Bodies in Works by Kay Boyle, Mina Loy and Djuna Barnes
Chair: Anne Boyd Rioux, University of New Orleans

1. “Thinking and Feeling Vulnerably through the Baroque Tropes of Mina Loy and Djuna Barnes,” Stamatina Dimakopoulou, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
2. “Dancing and Slumping”: Transfigured Bodies in Loy, Barnes, and Boyle ,” Anne Reynes-Delobel, Aix-Marseille Université
3. “Representations of Male Vulnerable Bodies in Works by Kay Boyle and Djuna Barnes,” Amy Wells, Université de Caen Normandie
4. “Irreparable Dummies’: Vulnerable Bodies in Mina Loy’s Late Works,” Yasna Bozhkova, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle
The Kurt Vonnegut Society
Vonnegut and Religion Panel

Chair: Nicole Lowman, University at Buffalo

2. “Cat's Cradle: The Sin of Science and Systems,” Ben Berman Ghan, independent scholar
3. “Shoganai!: Vonnegut's Buddhist and Shinto Imaginary,” Camilo Omaña Villanueva, Murray State University

The Kurt Vonnegut Society
Vonnegut Roundtable

Chair: Tom Hertweck, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

1. “Why Am I Alive in Slaughterhouse-Five?” Chi Angie Tsai, National Taiwan Normal University
4. “In the Slaughterhouse: Pairing Night and Slaughterhouse-Five,” Brian Hartt, North Bergen High School
5. “Thinking Race with Vonnegut,” Nicole Lowman, University at Buffalo

The Langston Hughes Society
Crisis, Catastrophe, and Contagion in the Works of Langston Hughes and His Contemporaries

Chair: Christopher Allen Varlack, Arcadia University

1. “Diasporic Disaffection in McKay’s Home to Harlem,” Cole Morgan, University of California, Irvine
2. “‘Watch This Play for [a] Misery [that Still Exists]’: Racial Terror as Crisis in Langston Hughes' Scottsboro, Limited,” Christopher Allen Varlack, Arcadia University
3. “‘Never Will Be a Whole Anywhere’: Diasporic Disability and the Divided Self in Claude McKay’s Romance in Marseille,” Joshua M. Murray, Fayetteville State University
Latina/o Literature and Culture Society  
The Politics, Planning and Posterity of a Latina/o/x Lecture Series: Lessons from CSULB’s Annual Helena María Viramontes Lecture in Latina/o Literature  
Organized by: Maythee Rojas, California State University, Long Beach

Chair: Rene H. Treviño, California State University, Long Beach

1. “Politics: Selecting an Author,” Maythee Rojas, California State University at Long Beach  
2. “Possibilities: Funding Sources,” K.T. Shaver, California State University at Long Beach  
3. “Practicum: Workshop Dos and Don’ts,” Araceli Esparza, California State University at Long Beach  
4. “Posterity: Maintaining the Series,” Anna Sandoval, California State University at Long Beach

Latina/o Literature and Culture Society  
Gender, Sexuality, and Imagining Latinidad

Chair: Cathryn Merla-Watson, University of Texas, Río Grande Valley

1. “Reimagining Women Into History,” Lilian Contreras-Silva, Hendrix College

Latina/o Literature and Culture Society  
Latinx Sci-fi and the Dystopian

Chair: Cathryn Merla-Watson, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

1. “Lunar Braceros 2125-2148, Dystopian or Utopian Decolonial Imaginary?” María Célleri, University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
2. “The future’s (not?) ours to see - Anticipation of the forthcoming humanity in Solarpunk,” Katarzyna Stępień BA (Hons), Nicolaus Copernicus University  
3. “Gloria Anzaldúa and the Making of an Alien Consciousness,” Matthew David Goodwin, Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton  
4. “Gods of Jade and Shadow: Speculative Fiction’s Role in Cultural Critique and Social Change” Danielle Garcia-Karr, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Latina/o Literature and Culture Society  
Trauma, Kinship, and Speculative Latinx Literature

Chair: Cristina Herrera, California State University, Fresno

1. “We the Animals as Queer Latino Gothic: Diaries, Desire and the Impossibility of Normative Kinship,” Sofi Chávez, University of California, Berkeley  
2. “Hauntologies of the Oppressed: Rereading ‘Woman Hollering Creek” as Domestic Horror,” Cathryn Merla-Watson, University of Texas, Rio Grande Valley  
3. “Possibilities for Love and Allyship in The Grief Keeper by Alexandra Villasante,” Carolyn González, California State University, Monterey Bay  
4. “[T]he story...I guided..it into my own body": Embodied Transformation in Speculative Latinx Youth Literature,” Cristina Rhodes, Shippensburg University
The Louisa May Alcott Society
Teaching Alcott: Alcott in Proximity to Other American Realists, Regionalists, Romantics

Moderator: Gregory Eiselein, Kansas State University

1. “Women in the Nineteenth Century: Revising Moods and Revisiting Margaret Fuller,” John J. Kucich, Bridgewater State University
2. “Teaching Alcott and Stowe: The Literary Activism of Regional Writing,” Elif Armbruster, Suffolk University
4. “Alcott’s Proximate Circus: Class, Gender, and Race Under the Lilacs,” David Carlyon, Independent Scholar

The Louisa May Alcott Society
Alcott and Adaptation

Chair: Mark Gallagher, University of California, Los Angeles

1. “‘Honest Sentiment’: Little Women on Screen and the Problem of the Sentimental,” Amanda Adams, Muskingum University
3. “Rowdy and Nothing More’: Writing as Trouble in Greta Gerwig’s Little Women and Louisa May Alcott’s Semi-Autobiographical Sketches,” Jaclyn Carver, University of Iowa
4. “From Delight to Drama: Adapting Louisa May Alcott’s ‘An Old Fashioned Thanksgiving,’” Heidi A. Lawrence, University of Glasgow

The Melville Society
Melville’s Anatomies Two Decades Later

Moderator: Brian Yothers, University of Texas at El Paso

1. John Bryant, Hofstra University
2. Wyn Kelley, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
3. Mary K. Bercaw Edwards, University of Connecticut at Avery Point
4. Robert S. Levine, University of Maryland at College Park

Respondent: Samuel Otter, University of California, Berkeley
NEH Grant Opportunities and Resources
Beauty Bragg

This will be an informational panel providing an overview of funding opportunities offered by the NEH as well as tips for preparing competitive applications. There will be particular emphasis on programs of interest to ALA’s members, such as NEH Fellowships and the Collaborative Research and Scholarly Editions and Translations programs. Participating program officers—Dr. Beauty Bragg and Dr. Russell Wyland—offer an introduction to NEH programs, a primer on understanding the review process, and guidance on crafting an application. A separate Q&A session with one-on-one participation is provided on site on Thursday, July 8, 2021, 3:00 – 4:20 pm in St. George B

The Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Pauline Hopkins and Social Justice
Chair: John Cyril Barton, University of Missouri, Kansas City

1. “‘After Seeming Death’: Justice and the Making of Equivocal Bodies in Pauline Hopkins’s Of One Blood,” Hubert Cook, Connecticut College
3. “Sappho’s Laughter: Pauline Elizabeth Hopkins’s Satire,” April C. Logan, Salisbury University
Respondent: John Gruesser, Sr. Research Scholar, Sam Houston State University

The Poe Studies Association
Poe’s Environmental Humanities
Chair: Sławomir Studniarz, University of Warmia and Mazury (Poland)

1. "The Nonuhman Agent and Aggressor in ‘The Fall of the House of Usher,’” Jordan Costanza, University of Wisconsin
2. "Poe’s Ourang Outang and the Ecological Ethics of the Nineteenth Century," Scott Zukowski, Mellon/ACLS Public Fellow at Library of America

Respondent: Lesley Ginsberg, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs

The Poe Studies Association
Poe in the Wireless Classroom
Chair: Cristina Pérez

1. "Wi-finding Poe for Millennials and Beyond," Susan Amper, Bronx Community College
2. "‘The Raven’ Online: Mapping Reprints as well as Literary and Artistic Translations over the Internet,” Helciclever Barros da Silva Sales, National Institute for Educational Studies and Research-Anísio Texeira (Brazil)
4. "Teaching Poe with Digital Resources in 2021," Lesley Ginsberg, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs
The Postwar Area Literature Group
Post-45 State of the Field

Chair: Florian Gargaillo, Austin Peay State University

1. “‘The More Things Change’: Internment Narratives and the Long Twentieth-Century” Nicole Dib, Southern Utah University
3. “Postwar Studies’ Identity Crisis at the ALA and Beyond,” Jacqueline Foertsch, University of North Texas

The Postwar Area Literature Group
Climate and the Postwar Poem

Chair: Jacqueline Foertsch, University of North Texas

1. “Elegy and Ecology in James Merrill’s ‘A Christmas Tree,’” Yuki Tanaka, Hosei University
2. “Against Primitivism: Myth, Extractive Capitalism, and and Anti-colonial Aesthetics in Amos Tutuola’s The Palm Wine Drinkard,” Baron Haber, University of California, Santa Barbara
3. “‘Radiant with terror’: The Bomb in the Postwar Poem,” Florian Gargaillo, Austin Peay State University

The Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Emerson and Health

Chair: Joseph Urbas, Université Bordeaux Montaigne

1. “‘I seem to have lost a beautiful estate’: Reading death, childhood, and property in Emerson’s ‘Experience’ and ‘Threnody,’” Kristina West, University of Reading
2. “‘Scene painting and counterfeit’: Performing Grief in Emerson’s Elegiac Writing and George Saunders’s Lincoln in the Bardo,” Georgia Walton, University of Leeds

The Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Emerson Studies Now: A Roundtable Discussion

Chair: Bonnie O’Neill, Mississippi State University

1. "Editing the Oxford Handbook of Ralph Waldo Emerson," Christopher Hanlon, Arizona State University
2. "A Future Worthy of the Past: Emerson’s Poetic Thinking," Michael Jonik, University of Sussex
3. "Where Do We Find Ourselves?: Provocations for Emerson Studies Now," Prentiss Clark, University of South Dakota
4. "Reconsidering Emerson’s Critique of Busybodies in an Age of Scholarly Activism," Joseph Urbas, Université Bordeaux Montaigne
Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Possibility, Toxicity, and Metaphysics in Rebecca Harding Davis’s “Life in the Iron-Mills”

Chair: Aaron J. Rovan, West Virginia University

1. “Possibility and the Unfinished in Rebecca Harding Davis’s ‘Life in the Iron-Mills,’” Kacie Fodness, University of South Dakota
3. “Toxic Ghosts in Davis’s and Melville’s Industrial Fiction,” Lauren S. Peterson, University of California, Davis

Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Economics and Gender in Rebecca Harding Davis’s Novels

Chair: Alicia Mischa Renfroe, Middle Tennessee State University

1. “Mimesis and the ‘Man Marriage’: Protesting Marital Rape in Rebecca Harding Davis’s The Second Life,” Arielle Zibrak, University of Wyoming
2. “Spiritualism, Christianity, and Economics in A Law Unto Herself” Aaron J. Rovan, West Virginia University
3. “‘Tigers in the Drawing Room’: Futurity and Queer Motherhood in Rebecca Harding Davis’s Frances Waldeaux,” Stephanie Vastine, University of North Texas

The Reception Study Society
New Geographies of Reception

Chair: Kelsey Squire, Ohio Dominican University

1. “Native American Literary Studies and Geographies of Reading,” Matthew Herman, Montana State University

The Research Society for American Periodicals
RSAP Book Prize Roundtable

Chair: Benjamin Fagan, Auburn University

4. “Ebony Magazine and Lerone Bennett, Jr.: Popular Black History in Postwar America,” James West, Northumbria University
5. “Dreaming the Graphic Novel: The Novelization of Comics,” Paul Williams, University of Exeter
The Research Society of American Periodicals
Digital Research and Pedagogies Symposium

Chair: Tara Penry, Boise State University

1. Ayendy Bonifacio, The University of Toledo
2. Joey S. Kim, The University of Toledo
3. Kelley Kreitz, Pace University
4. Mark J. Noonan, New York City College of Technology – CUNY

The Shirley Jackson Society
Shirley Jackson in 2021

Chair: Emily Banks, Emory University

1. “The Posthumous Style of Shirley Jackson,” Daniel Kasper, University of Texas, Arlington
3. “I heard something awful…’: Shirley Jackson’s The Road through the Wall and Chinese American Dehumanization,” Kevin Knott, Frostburg State University
4. “[Fall[j]ing [Out] of Line: The Sundial’s Apocalyptic Queer Futurity,” Emily Banks, Emory University

The Society for the Study of American Travel Writing
Ethical Encounters

Chair: Shealeen Meaney, Russell Sage College

1. “Constance Fenimore Woolson and the Ethics of Sightseeing,” Susan L. Roberson, Texas A&M University-Kingsville
2. “Liminal Seduction: Moveable Queer Spaces,” Kathryn Klein, Kennesaw State University
3. “(Counter)ethnography and the politics of violence in American Indian travel narratives,” Rachel Ravina, Boston University

The Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Trajectories in Southern Studies II

Chair: Todd Hagstette, University of South Carolina Aiken

1. “Folk Already Think of the South as if it’s Another Country: Comics and the US South,” Matthew Teutsch, Piedmont College
2. “Southern Hyperboles,” Michal Choinski, Jagiellonian University
3. “Bring What Ya’ Got to the Gumbo Pot: Literature and the Multiethnic South,” Amy Schmidt, Williams Baptist University
The Society of Early Americanists
Migration and Refuge in Early America

1. “John Woolman’s Stranger Quakerism,” Jay David Miller, McNeil Center for Early American Studies
3. “Samson Occom, Black Hawk, and Indigenous American Migration,” Allison Siehnel, SUNY Buffalo State

The Society of Early Americanists
Teaching Early American Environments: A Roundtable

1. “‘That Which Is So Clear in the Wilderness’: Reading the Environment in Early American Literature,” Amy Oatis, University of the Ozarks

The T. S. Eliot Society
Translations and Relations: The 21st-Century Waste Land

Chair: Nancy K. Gish, University of Southern Maine


The T. S. Eliot Society
Tradition and the Individual Life: Eliot’s Sources

Chair: Nancy K. Gish, University of Southern Maine

1. “‘The Darkness of God’: T. S. Eliot and the Miltonic Allusions of ‘East Coker III,’” Kate E. Jorgensen, University of New Hampshire
3. “His Heart on His Sleeve: Eliot, Emily Hale, and the Personal Work of Art,” Frances Dickey, University of Missouri
The Wallace Stevens Society
Wallace Stevens and Performance

Chair: Hannah Simpson, University of Oxford

1. “Ideas of Order in the Theatre: Wallace Stevens’ Drama and the Truth-Function of Performativity”, Ian Tan, University of Warwick
3. “A Perpetual Falling with a Perpetual Self-Recovery: Walking as Performative in the Art of Wallace Stevens”, Kathryn Mudgett, Massachusetts Maritime Academy

The Western Literature Association
Stuck in Motion: Movement and Place-ment in the American West

Chair: Nicolas S. Witschi, Western Michigan University

1. “’Place’ as a Storied-Event-In-Process in Tommy Orange’s There There,” Scott Hendry, University of Oklahoma
2. “Reflections on Dark Tourism and the Carceral Landscape in the American West,” Jennifer Dawes, Midwestern State University
3. “Writing the Rails in Edith Eaton's West,” Jennifer S. Tuttle, University of New England

The Whitman Studies Association
The Walt Whitman Archive at 25 Years: A Round Table Discussion

Moderator: Ed Folsom, University of Iowa

1. Brett Barney, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
2. Stephanie M. Blalock, University of Iowa
3. Matt Cohen, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
4. James O’Neil, University of Iowa
5. Kevin McMullen, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
6. Kenneth M. Price, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
7. Ashlyn Stewart, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
The Whitman Studies Association
Whitman and Women: A Round Table Discussion

Moderator: Catherine Waitinas, California Polytechnic State University
1. Gregory Eiselein, Kansas State University
2. Karen Karbiener, New York University
3. Maire Mullins, Pepperdine University
4. Bradley Nelson, City University of New York
5. Kenneth M. Price, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

The Willa Cather Foundation
Willa Cather and Her Readers

Chair: Kelsey Squire, Ohio Dominican University
1. “Anthropology and ‘Escapism’: Willa Cather and Zora Neale Hurston,” William Gonch, University of Maryland, College Park
2. “Bringing Readers to Regionalism: Willa Cather’s Reworking of Alexander’s Bridge into Alexandra’s Plains,” Matthew Hitchman, University of Washington
3. “My Ántonia at Six Pages a Day: The Slow Read Project,” Barbara Tetenbaum, Reed College

The Willa Cather Foundation
Willa Cather and the 1920s

Chair: Kelsey Squire, Ohio Dominican University
1. “Against Eden: The Paradise of Artful Design in Willa Cather’s The Professor’s House,” Nathan Dixon, University of Georgia
2. “Taylorized Time, Fordized Space and Emotive Aesthetics in ‘Paul’s Case,’” Miguel Ramón, University of California, Irvine
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Adams, Amanda – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Almendarez, Gabriela – 12-D
Alquesta, Andrew – 8-B
Amemiya, Michiko – 8-E
Amper, Susan – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Anderson, Karen Leona – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Argersinger, Jana – 16-C
Armbruster, Elif – 1-A, Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Armiento, Amy Branam – 16-C
Atieh, Majda – 16-A
August, Timothy – 15-D
Augusto, Geri – 4-C
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Banerjee, Mousumi Guha – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Banks, Emily – Virtual Panel: Shirley Jackson Society
Baraw, Charles – 7-B
Barnes, Ashley – 3-A, 14-A
Barnes, Molly – 16-C
Barney, Brett – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Bartley, William – Virtual Panel: Cinema Television Literature Association
Barton, John – 9-B, Virtual Panel: Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Bateman, Micah – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Bazin, Victoria – Virtual Panel: Research Society for American Periodicals
Belflower, James – 5-B
Bendixen, Alfred – 1-E, 4-E, 10-E
Bergland, Renee – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Bergner, Gwen – 15-A
Berkey, James – 7-C
Best, Will – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
Bicknell, Kent – 5-A
Bills, Anna – 14-E
Bishop, Andrew – 13-A
Black, Christopher Allan – 14-D
Blalock, Stephanie – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Blanc, Marc – 7-F
Blandford, Gaynor – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Bliss, Ann V. – 10-A
Blix, Eric – 16-B
Bloom, James – 1-C
Bonanno, Morgan – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Bonifacio, Ayendy – Virtual Panel: Research Society of American Periodicals
Bozhkova, Yasna – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Bradley, Adam – 12-C
Brandt, David – 3-A
Brooks, John – 12-D
Brown, Caroline A. – Virtual Panel: Cinema Television Literature Association
Browner, Stephanie – 8-B, 9-B
Bryant, John – Virtual Panel: Melville Society
Bryant, Rachel – 13-C
Buchanan-King, Mindy – Virtual Panel: Edith Wharton Society
Bucker, Park – 12-E
Burt, Stephanie – 10-E
Butler, Maia – 15-A
Byer, Sheila – 14-D
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Cadwallader, Robin L. – 2-A
Caldeira, Isabel – 15-A
Campbell, Rosa – 2-C
Cantens, Kristian – 13-A
Capper, Annabel – Virtual Panel: Eugene O'Neill Society
Carlyon, David – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Carter, Austin – 8-A
Carver, Jaclyn – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Casale, Dean – 10-D
Célleri, Maria – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Chakkalakal, Tess – 10-E
Champion, Hannah – 8-E
Chandler, Justin – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Chatterjee, Kaberi – 10-A
Chávez, Sofia – 2-A, Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Chevereșan, Cristina – 1-C
Chi, Tsai – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Chinn, Sarah – 10-E
Choiński, Michal – Virtual Panel: Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Cirino, Mark – Virtual Panel: Ernest Hemingway Society
Clark, Prentiss – Virtual Panel: Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Cohen, Matt – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Cole, Jean Lee – Virtual Panel: Research Society for American Periodicals
Coleman, Troy – 12-E
Conner, Marc – 6-B, 12-C
Contreras-Silva, Lilian – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Cook, Hubert – Virtual Panel: Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Cook, Timothy J. – 16-D
Cooper, Lydia R. – 2-F, 3-F
Costanza, Jordan – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Cox-Warner, Aubrie – Virtual Panel: Haiku Society of America
Crabtree, Ella – 10-E
Crawford, Amy – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Crenshaw, Linda – 9-A
Crosswhite, Jamie – 1-D
Crow, Matthew – 3-A
Curnutt, Kirk – 4-E, 9-E
Cutter, Martha J. – 15-B

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Dabiri, Al (Mohammadali) – Virtual Panel: American Theatre & Drama Society
Dalziel, Karin – 8-B
D’Amico, LuElla – 2-A, Virtual Panel: Job Market Roundtable
Damon-Bach, Lucinda – 2-B
Damron, Aryssa – Virtual Presentation: Louisa May Alcott Society
Danselski, Christine – Virtual Panel: Cinema Television Literature Association
Daniels-Rauterkus, Melissa – 3-A
Davis, Patricia – 6-D
Davis, Jeff – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Davis-McElligatt, Joanna – 15-A
Dawes, Jennifer – Virtual Panel: Western Literature Association
Dayton, Tim – 3-D
De Galzain, Alice – 15-C
Dean, Andrew – 1-C
DeGrasse, Carol – 5-E, 12-A
Del Gizzo, Suzanne – Virtual Panel: Ernest Hemingway Society
Devlin, Paul – 16-A
Dib, Nicole – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Dickey, Frances – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
Diffley, Kathleen – 6-D, 7-C
Dimakopoulou, Stamatina – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Dixon, Nathan – Virtual Panel: Willa Cather Foundation
Donahoo, Robert – 7-D, 13-B, 14-B
Donnelly, Andrew – 1-A
Dostal, Michelle – Virtual Panel: American Religion and Literature Society
Douglas, Christopher – 16-B
Downes, Kathleen – 2-A
Dudley, John – 2-F
Duke, Liz – 12-F
Duncan, Joel – 2-C, 4-D
Durham, Rebecca – 13-A

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Eby, Carl P. – Virtual Panel: Ernest Hemingway Society
Eckel, Leslie – 15-C
Edenfield, Olivia Carr – 2-F
Edmunds, Susan – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
Edwards, Mary K. Bercaw – 4-C, Virtual Panel: Melville Society
Eiselein, Gregory – Virtual Panels: Louisa May Alcott Society, Whitman Studies Association
Elliott, Geoff – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Ellis, Cristin – 3-A
Eschmann, Carson – 9-B
Espaza, Araceli – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Evans, Michael – 14-E
Evans, Sabrina – Virtual Panel: African American Literature and Culture Society
Fabian, Chelsea – 9-A
Fagan, Benjamin – Virtual Panel: Research Society for American Periodicals
Farrell, Stephen – 16-D
Farrell, Susan – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Feder, Helena – Virtual Panel: Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment (ASLE)
Feifer, Megan – 15-A
Field, Emily – 7-C
Finan, E. Thomas – 12-A, 13-D, 14-C
Fisher, Michael – 13-D
Flint-Martin, Kelsey – Virtual Panel: Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Fodness, Kacie – Virtual Panel: Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Foertsch, Jacqueline – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Folsom, Ed – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Ford, Sarah – Virtual Panel: Eudora Welty Society
Forrest, Kayla – Virtual Panel: Ernest Hemingway Society
Fraisher-Hayes, Eric – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Franckenstein, Ian von – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Franklin, Luke – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Frankwitz, Andrea K. – Virtual Panel: American Religion and Literature Society
Frick, Patricia – 15-C
Friedenberg, Jay – Virtual Panel: Haiku Society of America
Fritsch, Joseph – 16-D
Frye, Katie Berry – 7-A
Frye, Steven - 2-F, 3-F, 7-F
Fuller, Stephen – Virtual Panel: Eudora Welty Society
Gallagher, Mark – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Gandouz, Olfa – Virtual Panel: Arthur Miller Society
Garcia-Karr, Danielle – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Gardiner, Jeff – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Gargailllo, Florian – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Garbaldi, Korey – 13-C
Gentry, Marshall Bruce – 9-C, 13-B
George, Ana Anil – 5-A
Ghan, Ben Berman – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Ghosh, Srijani – 1-D
Gilmore, Samantha – 9-B
Ginsberg, Lesley – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Gish, Nancy K. – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
Glassie, Alison – 4-C
Gniadek, Melissa – 4-8
Goldberg, Shari – 13-C
Gonch, William – 14-A, Virtual Panel: Willa Cather Foundation
González, Carolyn – 2-D, Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Goodman, Susan – 3-B
Goodwin, Matthew David – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Gottlieb, Madeline – 10-A
Graber, Samuel – Virtual Panel: Research Society for American Periodicals
Gruesser, John – 3-E, 14-B, Virtual Panel: Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Gutman, Jennifer – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Haber, Baron – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Haber, Martin – 7-F
Hagstette, Todd – Virtual Panel: Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Halpern, Faye – 1-B
Hancock, Oliver J. – 14-C
Hanlon, Christopher – 7-C, Virtual Panel: Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Hanna, Mark G. – 4-C
Hardwig, Bill – 8-B, 9-B
Harris, Breanna Hobbs – 3-E, 14-E
Harrison, Les – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Harrison-Kahan, Lori – 15-B
Harriss, M. Cooper – 14-A
Hartt, Brian – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Hass, Robert B. – 8-C
Havard, John – Virtual Panel: American Religion and Literature Society
Haviland, Beverly – 12-B, 13-C
Henderson, Bruce – 13-B
Hendry, Scott – Virtual Panels: Jim Harrison Society, Western Literature Association
Herman, Matthew – Virtual Panel: Reception Study Society
Herrera, Cristina – 2-D, Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Hertweck, Tom – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Hitchman, Matthew – Virtual Panel: Willa Cather Foundation
Hoeynck, Joshua – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Hoffman, Alice – 4-A
Holmes, Gerard – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Horwitz, Howard – 5-C
Howard, Nicholas – 12-A
Hsu, Li-hsia – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Huang-Tiller, Gillian – 6-A
Huber, Hannah – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Hubler, Angela – 5-D
Hudson, Cory M. – 6-B
Hughes, Briony – 16-D
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Íglesias, Luis A. – 14-D, 15-E, Virtual Panel: Job Market Roundtable
Imran, Muhammad – 7-B
Ingrao, Peter J. – 8-D
Insko, Jeffery – 3-A, 4-8
Islam, Sonika – 9-A
Ito, Yuta – 10-C
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Jacob, Alan – 5-A
Jaroff, Rebecca – 9-D
Jenkins, Tammie – 15-A
Johnson, Allison – 6-D
Johnson, Christopher – Virtual Panel: Jim Harrison Society
Johnson, Robyn – 12-D
Jonik, Michael – Virtual Panel: Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Jorgensen, Kate E. – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
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Kalayjian, Patricia Larson – 2-B
Karafillis, Maria – 3-A
Karasik, David – 1-C
Karbiener, Karen – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Kasper, Daniel – Virtual Panel: Shirley Jackson Society
Katopodis, Christina – 9-A
Kaus, Alaina – 4-D
Kehoe, Megan – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Kelley, Heather – 12-E
Kelley, Wyn – Virtual Panel: Melville Society
Kelly, Sean J. – Virtual Panel: Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Kilcup, Karen – 4-E, 5-D, 10-E
Kim, Joey S. – Virtual Panel: Research Society of American Periodicals
King, Andrew David – 16-D
King, Devin – 5-B
Kirsch, Geoffrey – 12-A
Knott, Kevin – Virtual Panel: Shirley Jackson Society
Kopley, Richard – 3-B, 5-C
Korobkin, Laura – 1-B
Kreitz, Kelley – Virtual Panel: Research Society of American Periodicals
Kuchera, Carolyn – 5-C
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Lacey, Kristin – 1-A
Laminack, Zachary – 14-C, Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Langley, April – Virtual Panel: Society of Early Americanists
LaRue, Michèle – 8-A
Lawrence, Eric J. – Virtual Panel: Shirley Jackson Society
Lawrence, Heidi – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
LeBlanc, Ondine – 2-B
Leinster, Ciarán – Virtual Panel: Arthur Miller Society
Lenz, Bradley A. – 15-E
Leonard, Daniel – 13-D, 14-C
Levine, Robert S. – Virtual Panel: Melville Society
Lewis, Todd – 5-A
Libow, Jess – 16-C
Liming, Sheila – Virtual Panel: Edith Wharton Society
Lin, Wanyu – Virtual Panel: Wallace Stevens Society
Lithgow, Hilary E. – 9-F
Logan, April C. – Virtual Panel: Pauline E. Hopkins Society
Long, Will – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Lowe, Amanda – 8-B
Lowman, Nicole – Virtual Panel: Kurt Vonnegut Society
Ludwig, Kathryn – 12-F, 16-B
Madden, Etta – 15-C
Magosaki, Rei – 15-D
Mann, Barbara Alice – 14-D
Marcoux, Jean-Philippe – Virtual Panel: African American Literature and Culture Society
Marin, Craig – 4-C
Marino, Stephen – Virtual Panel: Arthur Miller Society
Mark, Rebecca – 7-A
Marshall, Bridget – 6-C
Marshall, Megan – 3-B
Martin, Michael J. – 7-F
Martin, Ross – 6-C
Martin, Wendy – 1-D, 4-E, 10-E
Mathew, James – 5-A
Maxey, Ruth – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
McCorkle, James – 5-E
McFarland, Sarah – Virtual Panel: Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment
McFarlane, Allen – 12-C
McGowan, Grace – 3-C
McLeod, Julia P. – 2-E
McLeod, Miranda – 1-E
McMahand, Donnie – 7-A
McMullen, Kevin – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Mercuri, Maria-Novella – Virtual Panel: Edith Wharton Society
Merla-Watson, Cathryn – 2-D, Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Merola, Nicole – Virtual Panel: Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment
Miller, D. Quentin – 10-E
Miller, Jay David – Virtual Panel: Society of Early Americanists
Moeck, Emily – 3-C
Molin, Peter – 9-F
Monahan, Sara – 4-A
Moore, J. Peter – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Morgan, Cole – Virtual Panel: Langston Hughes Society
Morris, David – 16-B, Virtual Panel: American Religion and Literature Society
Morzé, Len von – Virtual Panel: Society of Early Americanists
Mossberg, Barbara – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Mrozowski, Daniel – 8-A
Mudgett, Kathryn – Virtual Panel: Wallace Stevens Society
Mullins, Angela – 4-D
Mullins, Maire – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Murphy, Kevin – 7-A
Murray, Joshua M. – Virtual Panel: Langston Hughes Society
Murray, Will – 8-D
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Nagel, James – 4-E, 8-E
Naous, Mazen – 15-B
Neff, Victoria – 16-C
Nelson, Bradley – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Nielsen, Aldon Lynn – Virtual Panel: African American Literature and Culture Society
Noonan, Mark J. – Virtual Panel: Research Society of American Periodicals

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O’Neill, Bonnie – Virtual Panel: Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
O’Donoghue, Kathryn – 10-A
O’Neil, James – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
O’Reilly, Ciarán – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society

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Palmer, David – Virtual Panel: Arthur Miller Society
Pardo, Amy – 9-C
Parlett, Jack – 2-C
Parrish, Melissa – 9-F
Pavlik, Robert – 5-A
Payton, Jason – 4-C, Job Market Roundtable
Pecora, Vincent – 14-A
Peebles, Stacey – 9-F
Pelaez, Heriberto – 9-D
Penny, Tara – Virtual Panel: Research Society of American Periodicals
Pérez-Arranz, Cristina – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Perloff, Marjorie – Virtual Panel: T. S. Eliot Society
Peterson, Lauren S. – Virtual Panel: Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Petrino, Elizabeth A. – Virtual Panel: Emily Dickinson International Society
Petrulionis, Sandra Harbert – 3-B
Pettit, Alex – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Petty, Leslie – 2-C, 4-E, 7-A, 9-E
Piasente, Carol – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Pickard, Michael – 7-A
Pine, Ryan E. – 7-D
Pittman, Ian – 15-E
Porter, Molly – Virtual Panel: Society of Early Americanists
Pozorski, Aimee – 1-C
Price, Ken – Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Proehl, Kristen – Virtual Panel: Louisa May Alcott Society
Purcell, William M. – 16-A
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Quesenberry, Krista – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
R
Rabe, Michelle – 14-C
Rachman, Stephen – Virtual Panel: Ralph Waldo Emerson Society
Ramón, Miguel – Virtual Panel: Willa Cather Foundation
Reed, Ashley – 2-B, 4-A
Renfroe, Alicia Mischa – Virtual Panel: Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Reynolds, Anthony – 14-B
Rhodes, Cristina – 2-D, Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Richardson, Todd H. – 7-D
Rioux, Anne Boyd – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Rivers-Norton, Jana – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Rivkin, Julie – 12-B
Robbins, Hollis – 2-A
Robertson, Emelia Abbé – 4-C
Rodriguez-Elliot, Julia – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Roe, Alex – Virtual Panel: Eugene O’Neill Society
Rojas, Maythee – Virtual Panel: Job Market Roundtable, Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Rosenow, Ce – Virtual Panel: Haiku Society of America, Job Market Roundtable
Rován, Aaron J. – Virtual Panel: Rebecca Harding Davis Society
Roylance, Patricia – 1
Rumbinas, Barbara – 15-E
Ryoo, Gi Taek – 10-B
Safdie, Joe – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Sales, Helciclever Barros da Silva – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Samuels, Shirley – 5-E, 10-E
Sandoval, Anna – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Santos, Melissa – 3-E
Sasaki, Eitetsu – 7-B
Sastri, Reena – 10-D
Scales, Laura – 1-B
Schachterle, Lance – 15-E
Scheider, Marshall – 2-E
Scherman, Timothy H. – 9-D
Schmidt, Amy – Virtual Panel: Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Schneider, Peter – 13-D
Schultz, Jane E. – 6-D, 7-C
Scroggins, Mark – 5-B
Shaver, K.T. – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Shea, Anne – 10-D
Shelnutt, Blevin – 7-E
Shin, Ery – 3-E
Shin, Jung Ju – Virtual Panel: Cinema Television Literature Association
Shinn, Christopher – 1-E
Siehnel, Allison – Virtual Panel: Society of Early Americanists
Siemers, Ryan – 5-C, 10-D, 14-A
Silva, Lilian Contreras – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Silver, Ariel – 7-B, 10-C
Simpson, Hannah – Virtual Panel: American Theatre & Drama Society, Wallace Stevens Society
Simpson, Tyrone – 7-E
Singh, Ambika – Virtual Panel: Arthur Miller Society
Slatkus, Kerri – Virtual Panel: Charlotte Perkins Gilman Society
Smith, Gavin – 10-B
Smith, Virginia – 8-C
Sood, Abha – 2-E
Soules, Kate – 5-C
Spanier, Sandra – Virtual Panel: Kay Boyle Society
Spencer, Stephen – Virtual Panel: Jim Harrison Society
Squire, Kelsey – Virtual Panel: Reception Study Society, Willa Cather Foundation
Stasny, Ben – 12-E
Steeby, Elizabeth – 8-D
Stehele, Bernard F. – 6-A
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Stephens, Ronnie K. – 12-D
Stępień BA (Hons), Katarzyna – Virtual Panel: Latina/o Literature and Culture Society
Stewart, Ashlyn – 8-B, Virtual Panel: Whitman Studies Association
Stewart, Michael Seth – Virtual Panel: Charles Olson Society
Stuckey, J. Ken – 16-A
Studniarz, Sławomir – Virtual Panel: Poe Studies Association
Sutherland, Serenity – 2-B
Sweet, Timothy – Virtual Panel: Association for the Study of Literature and the Environment
Szefele, Adam – 3-D, 5-D
Tackach, James – 8-E
Tan, Ian – Virtual Panel: Wallace Stevens Society
Tanaka, Yuki – Virtual Panel: Postwar Area Literature Group
Tetenbaum, Barbara – Virtual Panel: Willa Cather Foundation
Teutsch, Matthew – Virtual Panel: Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Thriffiley, Zac – 1-E