

CALL FOR PAPERS  
**African American Literature and Culture Society**  
American Literature Association  
35th Annual Conference  
May 23-26, 2024  
The Palmer House Hilton  
17 East Monroe Street  
Chicago, IL 60603

**\*\*\*Deadline extended to January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024! \*\*\*** Please send abstracts or proposals to Sabrina Evans ([sabrina.evans@howard.edu](mailto:sabrina.evans@howard.edu)) and Jean-Philippe Marcoux ([jean-philippe.marcoux@lit.ulaval.ca](mailto:jean-philippe.marcoux@lit.ulaval.ca))

The African American Literature and Culture Society invites abstracts (of no more than 250 words) for presentations at the annual conference of the American Literature Association (<http://americanliteratureassociation.org/>). We will also consider a limited number of panel proposals (of no more than 500 words).

Inspired by this year's conference location, Chicago, we encourage the submission of papers and proposals for panels on the topics of Black literary renaissances, movements, and Black literary radicalism.

**Possible paper topics include, but are not limited to:**

- The 1893 Chicago World's Fair and Black clubwomen
- The Chicago Black Renaissance literary movement
- The Black Arts Movement in Chicago
- The legacies of Black radicalism in the respective works of Gwendolyn Brooks, Lorraine Hansberry, Margaret Walker, Richard Wright
- Black literature, positionality, and identity

While we welcome papers on the above themes and subthemes that represent an explosion in African American literature, art, music, protest, and organizing, **we also strongly encourage submissions on any topic related to African American literature and culture.**

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