## **CFP: E. E. Cummings Sessions at the American Literature Association's 36th Annual Conference**, Boston, Massachusetts, May 21-24, 2025

The E. E. Cummings Society will sponsor two sessions at the 2025 American Literature Association conference in Boston [<u>https://americanliteratureassociation.org/</u>]. We invite proposals for papers on any aspect of Cummings' life and/or work. Proposals that touch upon the following topics will be especially welcome:

- Close readings of individual Cummings poems
- Cummings the Modernist: Making it New (and Now)
- Cummings' "philosophy of life"— "transcendental, romantic, prelapsarian, organicist, and individualistic"? (Friedman, *Art* 66). Discuss.
- <u>& [AND]</u> and <u>XLI Poems</u> at 100.
- Cummings' art during and after WWII
- Cummings' prose (*The Enormous Room, A Miscellany, EIMI, i: six nonlectures, Letters*) and theatre works (*Him, Tom, Santa Claus*)
- Cummings and Re-Vision [For some drafts of poems, see the *Cummings Archive*: <u>https://cummingsarchive.org/</u>]

Submit 250-400-word abstracts to Michael Webster (websterm@gvsu.edu) by January 28, 2025.

For further information, consult the web page of the <u>American Literature Association</u> <u>conference</u>.

## Work Cited

Friedman, Norman. E. E. Cummings: The Art of His Poetry. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins UP, 1960. [Project Muse: <u>https://muse.jhu.edu/book/71698</u>]