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Session A: Thursday, February 27  2:45-4:00 p.m.

A-1. Heroism in Anglo-Saxon Poetry  Thursday  2:45-4:00 Academy, LL
Moderator: Ericka Hoagland, Stephen F. Austin State University (TX)
Chair: Mercedes Lee, North Dakota State University (ND)
Jesse Winter, Bridgewater College (VA): Lost in Violence: A Girardian Reading of Beowulf
Melissa Hancock, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Heroic Endeavors: Motivation of the Hero in Beowulf
Valerie Upshaw, University of Louisiana, Monroe (LA): Beowulf's Saintly Veneration
Natalie Hall, University of Nebraska, Kearney (NE): Judith: A Transformation through Transcription

A-2. Trauma and Survival  Thursday  2:45-4:00 Mercer, LL
Moderator: John Pennington, St. Norbert College (WI)
Chair: Robert Bullard, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Frances Isbell, Samford University (AL): Trauma and Grief in Alice Munro’s “Pictures of the Ice”
Paris Ross, Alumni Epsilon: Reader Experienced Trauma
Elaine Cannell, North Central College (IL): Trauma in Lorrie Moore's A Gate at the Stairs
Rachel Gintner, St. Norbert College (WI): The Readers of Contemporary Prison Memoir

A-3. Original Fiction: Currents of Love  Thursday  2:45-4:00 Plaza, LL
Moderator: Jessica Bannon, University of Indianapolis (IN)
Chair: Julie Carter, Notre Dame of Maryland University (MD)
Jacqueline Campbell, Lee University (TN): The Edge of Sanity
Kayla Mugler, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK): A Dwelling Vale
Shylah Slaughter, Lee University (TN): The Lovers We Once Loved
Amber Surdam, Stephens College (MO): Send Her My Love

A-4. Countercurrents in the 16th & 17th Centuries  Thursday  2:45-4:00 Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: William Johnson, Sigma Tau Delta
Chair: Christian Pacheco, University of West Florida (FL)
James Madigan, Westfield State University (MA): Colonialism in The Tempest and Popol Vuh
Hannah Gillespie, Utah State University (UT): Unisex Striptease: John Donne on Gender Equality
Susan Pereny, The College of New Jersey (NJ): The Unintentional Feminism of Thomas Traherne
Audra Jenson, Northwest Nazarene University (ID): Sympathetic Magic in The Faerie Queene

A-5. Gender in the 19th-Century South  Thursday  2:45-4:00 Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Nancy Tuten, Columbia College (SC)
Chair: Kathleen Bure, University of North Carolina, Wilmington (NC)
Alyse Bingham, University of South Carolina Beaufort (SC): Freed from All the Cages
Jesse Cook, Alumni Epsilon: Suicide as Social Change in Chopin’s The Awakening
Kristen Sheldon, Purdue University North Central (IN): Flagrant Transgressor: Capitola Black’s Subversion
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A-6. Original Poetry: Self-Discovery  
**Moderator:** Beth DeMeo, Alvernia University (PA)  
**Chair:** Charles Caulkins, Franklin Pierce University (NH)

**John Gray,** Union University (TN): Sex, Atheism, and Things I Wish I Knew More About  
**Teresa Morse,** Baker University (KS): We Are Ghosts  
**Brooke Pellerin,** Dominican University of California (CA): Writing Therapy  
**Shelly Welch,** Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Sleeping Inside Myself  
**Lisa Folkmire,** Alma College (MI): Page Pressed Primroses  
**Andrew Blake,** Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): The Wiring Behind the Eyes

A-7. Austen's Sensibilities  
**Moderator:** John Kerrigan, Rockhurst University (MO)  
**Chair:** Diana Royal, Georgia Regents University (GA)

**Karen Chambless,** Lee University (TN): The Power of "Looks" in *Persuasion*  
**Kristina McClendon,** Alumni Epsilon: Reception, Realism, and Resonance in Austen’s *Persuasion*  
**Rachel Dark,** Cedarville University (OH): Jane Austen’s Work Ethic in *Sense and Sensibility*  
**Jonathan Howard,** Liberty University (VA): Virtue Ethics in Austen’s *Pride and Prejudice*

A-8. Gender and Modernity at the Fin de Siecle  
**Moderator:** Julianne Smith, Pepperdine University (CA)  
**Chair:** Christine Boulanger, Franklin Pierce University (NH)

**Maria Samantha Pena,** The College of New Jersey (NJ): The Gender Discourse of Power and Sex in *Dracula*  
**Kelly Okerson,** Pepperdine University (CA): The Victorian Paradox: *Dracula* and Modernity  
**Colin Herzog,** St. Norbert College (WI): The Governess’s Gender Role in *The Turn of the Screw*  
**Elizabeth Neary,** Muhlenberg College (PA): Egerton’s The "New Woman’s" Psyche

A-9. Classical Greek Literature  
**Moderator:** Jerry Gibbons, Williams Baptist College (AR)  
**Chair:** Lydia Andreu, Louisiana Tech University (LA)

**Kayla Etheridge,** Dominican University of California (CA): Creon vs. Odysseus: Two Hubristic Characters  
**Carla Cannalte,** Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO): Gender Inversion in Athenian Tragedy  
**Lindsay Hansard,** McKendree University (IL): Antigone as a Proto-Feminist  
**Hannah Korell,** Alma College (MI): The Evolution of Justice

A-10. Critical Theory  
**Moderator:** Kristianna Kalata Vaccaro, Westminster College (PA)  
**Chair:** Monika Lasocha, Ramapo College of New Jersey (NJ)

**Jarad Sassone-McHugh,** SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Hegelian Dialectics in "The Pardoner's Tale"  
**Danielle Catalano,** Saint Vincent College (PA): The Best Sneetches on the Beaches: A Marxist Approach  
**Sean Fischer,** SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Metaphor or Metonym: Applying Lodge to Realism  
**Melissa Williams,** Westminster College (PA): To the Truth! Experience is Discursive  
**Marc Adrian De Leon,** University of Toronto Scarborough (CA): Towards a New Ethical Framework in Lit. Analysis
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A-11. British Modernist Fiction
Moderator: Larry Dennis, Clarion University (PA)
Chair: Rita Baker, University of Pikeville (KY)

Abe Arrillaga, College of Charleston (SC): Stephen’s Anticipation of Adulthood
Yue Chen Hou, University of Toronto Scarborough (CA): Ecological Unheimliche in Heart of Darkness
Rebecca Holder, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): The Breakdown of the Narrative Voice in Howards End
Elena Gasparri, Springfield College (MA): Defending a Classic: Conrad’s Heart of Darkness

A-12. Original Fiction: The Wellspring
Moderator: Simone Billings, Santa Clara University (CA)
Chair: Josh LaMore, Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY)

Kody Kasper, Southern Arkansas University (AR): Summertime
Margaret Domitrovich, Franciscan University of Steubenville (OH): Razinga
Madison Pollock, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin (MO): The Trumpet
Zach Milkis, Santa Clara University (CA): Autocritique

A-13. Roundtable: Food Studies and Minority Identity
Moderator: Ryan Poll, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
Katherine Galmiche, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
Sean Dotson, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
William Peters, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
Nathaniel Steele, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
Sarah Vaid, Northeastern Illinois University (IL)

This panel will lead a dynamic discussion about the central role of Food Studies in analyzing the making, unmaking, and re-making of minority identities across a wide spectrum of popular cultural genres, including television shows, film, comic books, and children’s literature.

Moderator: Dave Wendelin, Director, National English Honor Society

Roundtable Participants:
Ann Deibert, Clarion University (PA)
Rebecca Greenman, Clarion University (PA)
Derek Dietz, Clarion University (PA)

The popular research paper used in high schools across the country is being revamped! This roundtable will discuss new methods for teaching students how to research in innovative ways. Alternative project ideas to engage students, including the Multigenre Project, will be explored along with networking opportunities for educators.
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A-15. Roundtable: Meeting Campus and Community Needs through Service
Thursday 2:45-4:00 Savannah C, LL
Moderator: Marybeth Baggett, Liberty University (VA)
Roundtable Participants:
Marybeth Baggett, Liberty University (VA)
Rebecca Moore, Mount Olive College (NC)
Leigha Messer, Carson-Newman College (TN)
Teresa Minnaugh, Better World Books
Justin Barton, Carson-Newman University (TN)
Alexandrea Krause (University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, WI)

Roundtable participants will discuss the creative planning and implementation of various service-oriented projects designed to meet campus and community needs. Topics include civic engagement, event planning, personal and social responsibility, project development, student leadership, and volunteerism.

A-16. Original Fiction: Fantasy & Science Fiction
Thursday 2:45-4:00 Savannah D, LL
Moderator: Kevin Brown, Lee University (TN)
Chair: Abby McGee, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Sean Scott, Alumni Epsilon: The Way of the Blade
Tyler Beckett, Lee University (TN): Wounded
Ema Solarova, Chapman University (CA): Goodness Sake
Ashleigh Fox, Chatham University (PA): Ocean's Deep

A-17. Roundtable: General Education Goals Awareness Event
Thursday 2:45-4:00 Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Sarah Parlier, Illinois Central College (IL)
Susan Hillabold, Illinois Central College (IL)
Sarah Parlier, Illinois Central College (IL)
Kayli Ragains, Illinois Central College (IL)
Ashlea Bean, Illinois Central College (IL)

The officers of Sigma Kappa Delta at Illinois Central College have created an interactive event to educate and spread awareness of our school’s General Education goals and to explain how these goals are essential to students’ academic and professional careers. We feel that other institutions could benefit from such an event and would like to share the details with attendees from other chapters of Sigma Kappa Delta and Sigma Tau Delta.

A-18. Vonnegut and DeLillo
Thursday 2:45-4:00 General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Robert Crafton, Slippery Rock University (PA)
Chair: Amy Baxter, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Caitlin Brown, Campbell University (NC): The Contradictory Hero in Vonnegut’s Mother Night
Nathaniel Davis, Liberty University (VA): Every Which Way: Equality in “Harrison Bergeron”
Garrett Corpier, Olivet Nazarene University (IL): Reproducibility of the Signified Image
Taylor Burgess, Samford University (AL): "Quoting Bill": Destructive Genre in Mao II
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Session B: Thursday, February 27  4:15-5:30 p.m.

B-1. Original Poetry: Coming of Age  
Moderator: Roger Johansen, Coastal Carolina University (SC)  
Chair: Derek Price, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO)  
Laura Herbek, University of West Florida (FL): A Crooked Hunger  
Jeremy Windham, Stephen F. Austin State University (TX): Little Incantations  
Rebecca Edgren, Union University (TN): Transitions  
Jessica Thelen, Westfield State University (MA): Selections from "Nota Bene"  
Caitlin Creson, Georgia Regents University (GA): How We Raise Our Daughters, Without Homes.

B-2. Creative Nonfiction: The Maelstrom of Loss  
Moderator: Zach Kastens, Fort Hays State University (KS)  
Chair: Joe Bartel, St. Norbert College (WI)  
Emily Weber, Indiana University of Pennsylvania (PA): Cleaning House  
Caitlynn Hughes, Collin College (TX): To the Cross at Trinity Mills  
Clinton Winters, Southern Arkansas University (AR): Three Stories Up  
Brylee Courkamp, Fort Hays State University (KS): Ambulances and Grandmothers  
Seth Millar, University of Pikeville (KY): Broken Dolls

B-3. Original Fiction: High Anxiety  
Moderator: Caitlin Bittner, Alumni Epsilon  
Chair: Jessie Lambert, University of North Alabama (AL)  
Jacob Dale, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Meeting With Her  
Lindsey Olsson, Elon University (NC): Freckle  
Christina Wheeler, Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (NJ): An Examination of Fear  
Georgia Farris, Illinois Valley Community College (IL): Germaphobe

B-4. Shakespeare and Female Power  
Moderator: Judith Clark, Stephens College (MO)  
Chair: Elizabeth Dunlap, Notre Dame of Maryland University (MD)  
Rachel Lesler, Lee University (TN): Frailty, Thy Name is Not Always Ophelia  
Cayleigh Boniger, Clarion University (PA): Three Witches, One Goddess  
Elizabeth Gardner, Samford University (AL): Fluidity of Gender in Twelfth Night  
Victoria Pyron, North Central University (MN): The Feminine Ideological Apparatus and Lady Macbeth

B-5. Negotiating Identities in the 19th Century  
Moderator: Elizabeth Ruleman, Tennessee Wesleyan College (TN)  
Chair: Alexandria Krause, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI)  
Molly Durrill, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Questioning Patriarchal Authority in Piatt's Poetry  
Katie Walkup, Missouri Western State University (MO): Voice and Purpose in The Narrative of Sojourner Truth  
Jess Tucker, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Otherness in "Daisy Miller"  
Teneshia Head, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): A Childless Mother: Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl
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B-11. The Fractures of British Modernism
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Moderator: Chad Schrock, Lee University (TN)
Chair: Bryanna Martonis, SUNY, Fredonia (NY)

Angelica Hodgdon, Park University (MO): Shedding Victorian Morals for Modernist Principles
Cameron Murphy, Mansfield University (PA): The Rise of Industry in Shelley and Conrad
Laura Williams, Rockhurst University (MO): The Playboy vs. Patriarchy
Kaitlyn Smith, Lee University (TN): Craziness as Construction in Yeats's Crazy Jane

B-12. Original Fiction: Adventures of Youth
Thursday 4:15-5:30 Franklin, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Michelle Smith, Marist College (NY)
Chair: Amber Silvers, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)

Andrew Hamaker, Union University (TN): Sledding
John Tammaro, Broward College (FL): Death is The Eternal Buzz
Marygrace Navarra, Marist College (NY): Admission
Anne Drees, Fort Hays State University (KS): Hidden Inside the Ivory Tower

B-13. Roundtable: Unearthing and Preserving a Chapter’s History
Thursday 4:15-5:30 Savannah A, LL
Moderator: Carrie Fitzpatrick, Alvernia University (PA)

Roundtable Participants:
Andrew Gerske, Western Illinois University (IL)
Parker Hunt, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)

This roundtable will discuss strategies for conducting effective historical chapter research and to share chapters’ most noteworthy historical findings. Topics to be covered include the importance of conducting historical research, and practical strategies for finding information, compiling data, and creating a document for multiple uses.

B-14. Visual Representations
Thursday 4:15-5:30 Savannah B, LL
Moderator: Kathleen Beres Rogers, The College of Charleston (SC)
Chair: Lorin Blackburn, Missouri Valley College (MO)

Bronson Beatty, Dixie State University (UT): The Evolution of Native Americans in Film
Phoebe Doty, College of Charleston (SC): De Sica’s Italian Neorealism in Kevin Smith’s Clerks
Lauren Jaqua, Baker University (KS): Sweltering Vogue: Imperialism and Women’s Clothing
Danielle Ward, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Evolving Austen: What Adaptations Alter and Why

B-15. Justin Torres Q & A
Thursday 4:15-5:30 Savannah C, LL
Moderator: Kevin Stemmler, Clarion University (PA)

B-16. Original Fiction: Innocence and Experience
Thursday 4:15-5:30 Savannah D, LL
Moderator: Linda Miller, Muhlenberg College (PA)
Chair: Jocelyn Kirk, Alma College (MI)

Allison Bronsteader, Northern Michigan University (MI): March
Stephanie Scott, Muhlenberg College (PA): Sea Legs
Bradford Avery, Westfield State University (MA): Slow and Steady
MeKoi Scott, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): The Economics of Self-Interest
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B-17. Roundtable: What is Passed Down? Thursday 4:15-5:30 Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Andrea Ivanov-Craig, Azusa Pacific University (CA)
Roundtable Participants:
Robert Durborow, Southern Utah University (UT)
Reginald Carlisle, Weber State University (UT)
Kyle Poppitz, Weber State University (UT)
Jayrod Garrett, Weber State University (UT)
Kathryn Grogan, Azusa Pacific University (CA)
We grow up listening to our parents’ music. What effect does that have on our generation? What passes from one generation to the next? How does that show up in culture and literature? It’s Sigma Tau Delta’s 90th birthday. What is being passed down to us?

B-18. Race, Class, and Gender in America Thursday 4:15-5:30 General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Diane Steinberg, The College of New Jersey (NJ)
Chair: Hannah Blum, University of Nebraska, Kearney (NE)
Sara Ashley Stammer, The College of New Jersey (NJ): The American Dream, The Minority Nightmare
Christina Sanders-Ring, Western Illinois University (IL): Artless Cass: James Baldwin’s Wistful WASP
Megan Raposa, Franklin Pierce University (NH): Giovanni’s Room Through a Gender Criticism Lens
Erin Overton, Campbell University (NC): Quest for Compromise in Go Tell It on the Mountain
Leigha Messer, Carson-Newman College (TN): American Masculinity: Past to Present
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Session C: Friday, February 28  8:00-9:15 a.m.

C-1. Revelations in 20th Century American Literature  Friday  8:00-9:15  Academy, LL
Moderator: Sarah Dangelantonio, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Chair: Hannah Bingham, Oklahoma Christian University (OK)
Cody Holt, Park University (MO): Saul Bellow: A Link to the Past; Personification for Eternity
Anna Wakeling, Ouachita Baptist University (AR): The Journey of a Dissatisfied Woman
Megan Poole, McNeese State University (LA): On the Nature of War: An Individual’s Perspective
Janna Spriester, Olivet Nazarene University (IL): "Revelation" and the Master-Slave Dialectic

C-2. Exploring Paradise  Friday  8:00-9:15  Mercer, LL
Moderator: William Johnson, Sigma Tau Delta
Chair: Katherine Little, Samford University (AL)
Jennifer Seay, Sam Houston State University (TX): An Introduction on Setting to Paradise Lost
Amy Buck, Georgia Regents University (GA): A Critique of the Rhetorical Strategies in More's Utopia
Whitney May, Texas State University (TX): Paradise Lost: An Ecocritically Oedipal Resolution

C-3. Original Fiction: Reassessing Relationships  Friday  8:00-9:15  Plaza, LL
Moderator: Lillian Schanfield, Barry University (FL)
Chair: Abe Arrillaga, College of Charleston (SC)
Sara Labor, Chadron State College (NE): Combat Practice
Kathryn Grogan, Azusa Pacific University (CA): Runaway
Megan Hughes, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA): Smoke Break Stowaway
Aspen Stoddard, Dixie State University (UT): Waves

C-4. Victorian Crosscurrents  Friday  8:00-9:15  Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: John Kandl, Walsh University (OH)
Chair: Michael Baker, Texas A&M University, Commerce (TX)
Scott DeRouen, University of South Carolina Beaufort (SC): Personalizing the Social Institutions
Lydia Andreu, Louisiana Tech University (LA): Victorian Gender Ideals in The Woman in White
Joelle George, Ohio Northern University (OH): Dickens, Feminism and the Victorian Period
Marjorie Ellenwood, La Sierra University (CA): Angel of the Earth: Betsey Trotwood as Pachamama

C-5. Rhetorical Strategies in American Literature  Friday  8:00-9:15  Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Peter Scholl, Luther College (IA)
Chair: Kelsey McFarland, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Auraleah Grega, Misericordia University (PA): Walt Whitman and Leaves of Grass
Sara Harvey, University of Northern Colorado (CO): Gendering Language in Emily Dickinson's Master Letters
Kallista Heath, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Transcending Language in Gilman’s Herland
Aimee Williams, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Functionality and Aesthetics in Herland
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### C-6. Contemporary Fiction  
**Friday 8:00-9:15  Pulaski, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Bret Bowers, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (AR)  
**Chair:** Kelli Martin, Park University (MO)

- **Erin Gurley,** University of Alabama (AL): The Real Babette: Effects of a Simulacrum Marriage
- **Jessica McLeod,** Alma College (MI): Falling into Faith: John Updike’s Skyscraper Idol
- **Sarah Hancock,** Alumni Epsilon: Tradition of Moments in Lahiri's "Once in a Lifetime"

### C-7. Literary Potpourri: River Currents  
**Friday 8:00-9:15  Suite 404, 4th Floor**

**Moderator:** Ericka Hoagland, Stephen F. Austin State University (TX)  
**Chair:** Adam Breitenbach, University of Louisiana, Monroe (LA)

- **Amber Smith,** University of Alabama (AL): Today & Everyday I Speak
- **Kathryn Herbert,** Marist College (NY): Lady and the Man
- **Siobhain McGuinness,** University of Nevada, Reno (NV): Obfuscation of the Mind's Eye
- **Kristine Pike,** Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Seasons of Fire and Water
- **Kimberly Landry,** Southeastern Louisiana University (LA): Water Currents As They Save and Destroy Us

### C-8. Questions of Community  
**Friday 8:00-9:15  Oglethorpe A, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** John Kerrigan, Rockhurst University (MO)  
**Chair:** Jacob Matkov, Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY)

- **Mary Maiden Mueller,** Luther College (IA): Social Upstarts and the Tenuous Future of England
- **Justin Noble,** University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): Sherlock Holmes and the Social Classes
- **Bryant Callahan,** Rockhurst University (MO): Realism and Community in America
- **Paige Ott,** Cottey College (MO): "Cast Down Your Bucket Where You Are:" An Analysis
- **Katharyn Schrader,** Olivet Nazarene University (IL): Starkfield: A Step Behind

### C-9. The Changing Cosmos  
**Friday 8:00-9:15  Oglethorpe B, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Angela Calcaterra, University of West Florida (FL)  
**Chair:** Caitlin Brown, Campbell University (NC)

- **Emily Calvert,** Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Creation and Alienation for the Canon's Yeoman
- **Kim Harrer,** Alumni Epsilon: His Literary Cosmos: Chaucer as Primus Mobile
- **Laura Walenceus,** Erskine College (SC): Ripples of Darkness
- **Rebecca Steward,** University of West Florida (FL): The Memento Mori Tradition in John Donne

### C-10. Feminist Approaches to Film  
**Friday 8:00-9:15  Johnson, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Laurie MacDiarmid, St. Norbert College (WI)  
**Chair:** Brittany Doyle, Columbia College (SC)

- **Ashley Taylor,** Slippery Rock University (PA): Mulvey's Visual Pleasure and Abuse of Power
- **Michael Strasburg,** University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI): Exploiting Castration Anxiety in Goldfinger
- **Sarah Queen,** Fairmont State University (WV): The Innocent Victim and the Terrible Villain
- **Angela Edwards,** Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Femininity in War: Self-Determinism in Coup de Grace
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C-11. Twentieth Century Literature  
Moderator: Ashley Bissette Sumerel, University of North Carolina Wilmington (NC)  
Chair: Anne Maucieri, Penn State Altoona (PA)  
Alyssa Duck, Samford University (AL): Polysemy and Definition in Larkin’s “This Be the Verse”  
Kathryn Stanland, Georgia Regents University (GA): Written Culture vs. Oral Traditions in Oral History  
Gregory Palermo, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): An "Act of Union": Heaney's Rhetorical Performance  
Chelsea Scarbrough, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): Psychoanalyzing the Narrator in "Mending Wall"

C-12. Original Fiction: The Search for Healing  
Moderator: Derrick Spradlin, Freed-Hardeman University (TN)  
Chair: Elizabeth McKinney, Ohio Northern University (OH)  
Christopher Pate, Harris-Stowe State University (MO): Beverly's Day  
Sarah Thornsberry, Freed-Hardeman University (TN): A Matter of Time  
Nathan Schmidt, Luther College (IA): Broken Dolls  
Nicholas Wiese, North Central University (MN): The Death of Michelle Gram

C-13. Roundtable: The Realities of Teaching in the 21st Century  
Moderator: Dave Wendelin, Director, National English Honor Society  
Roundtable Participants:  
John Manear, NEHS Advisor  
Sharon Gross, NEHS Advisor  
Stephanie Robertson, NEHS Advisor  
Warren Bowe, NEHS Advisor  
Nancy Monroe, NEHS Advisor  
Dave Wendelin, Director, National English Honor Society  
Secondary English Education majors aiming for a career teaching high school English are invited to attend this session. English teachers from high schools across the United States will discuss the rewards and challenges of teaching language arts. Ample time will also be provided for audience members to pose questions to the panelists.

Moderator: Christine Hait, Columbia College (SC)  
Chair: Carla Cannalte, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO)  
Christina Cappo, Marist College (NY): The Art of Fighting with the Big Boys  
Sarah Grey, Cardinal Stritch University (WI): Why Did the Chicken Cross My Path?  
Stephanie Reddaway, Furman University (SC): The Road to Recovery  
Jasmine Howze, Columbia College (SC): Blurred: The Line between Victim and Criminal  
Kaitlyn Walters, University of Pikeville (KY): The Worst That Could Happen
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C-15. Roundtable: A Psychoanalytic Critique of Justin Torres's We the Animals

Moderator: Christina Heckman, Georgia Regents University (GA)

Roundtable Participants
Maria Bonfiglio, Lesley University (MA)
Chelsea Johnston, Lesley University (MA)
Elizabeth Murr, Clarion University (PA)
George Brannen, Georgia Southern University (GA)
Katherine Reuning, Lesley University (MA)

Panelists will present a psychoanalytic critique of Justin Torres's novel, We the Animals. The roundtable participants will analyze the novel utilizing Jungian literary criticism. In addition, the participants will discuss literary and queer theory, and the popularity of such literature and analysis in contemporary culture.

C-16. 1924: Creative Connections

Moderator: Dana Eckstein, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Reginald Carlisle, Weber State University (UT)

Rebecca Ferlotti, John Carroll University (OH): Live to Die: 1924, A Collection of Poems
Anna Cogdill, Gordon State College (GA): Betty Jean
Sara Blackburn, University of Pikeville (KY): The Note
Genean Granger, Northern Michigan University (MI): 1924 - A Nun’s Life

C-17. Roundtable: Weird Books: Re-Imagining Form of the Book

Moderator: Caitlin Bittner, Alumni Epsilon

Roundtable Participants:
Nick Knaebel, University of South Alabama (AL)
Kirk Palmer, University of South Alabama (AL)
Ashley Davis, University of South Alabama (AL)
Ashely Rahn, University of South Alabama (AL)

The Pi Pi Chapter will lead a discussion on experimental literature, examining how the book can persist as an art form in the digital age. Various examples of “weird books” that use their own physicality to expand their narratives will be provided, such as House of Leaves, The Unfortunates, Nox, and many others.

C-18. Colonial Identities in the Contact Zones

Moderator: Traci Thomas-Card, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Joseph Carroll, Saint Vincent College (PA)

Roundtable Participants
Kyra Howell, University of Rio Grande (OH): The Legacy that is Pocahontas
Elizabeth Hunter, University of Wisconsin-Superior (WI): Bradstreet’s Personal and Public Literary Identity
Susan Gleich, Oakland University (MI): "Do with me as thou seest best!"
Cory Stacer, Park University (MO): The Power of The Lending Library
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Session D: Friday, February 28  9:30-10:45 a.m.

D-1. Original Poetry: Diverse Voices  
Moderator: Sandra Petruilionis, Penn State Altoona (PA)  
Chair: Bronson Beatty, Dixie State University (UT)  
Heba Jahama, The College of New Jersey (NJ): Qisas: Stories from Islamic Tradition  
Dan Impeiciati, Penn State Altoona (PA): Back Alleys  
Juli Jasicki, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI): Compass  
Emily Krieble, University of Evansville (IN): Someone Like Me  
Joylinda Jamison, Liberty University (VA): Feeble Dances of Hope

D-2. Creative Nonfiction: Diving into Childhood  
Moderator: Chris Genre, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)  
Chair: Rachael Belmore, Northern Michigan University (MI)  
McKenzie Ellis, University Of Evansville (IN): Requiem for a Beetle  
Savannah Campbell, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): The Girl in the Tree  
Jasmine Serna, Azusa Pacific University (CA): Cartoons are for Children  
Rebecca Thieman, Western Kentucky University (KY): Peniocereus Greggi  
Alexi Scharbach, Stephens College (MO): Mom, Tom, Bo-Bomb

D-3. Original Fiction: Romantic Encounters  
Moderator: Dee Clere, Mount Olive College (NC)  
Chair: Siobhain McGuinness, University of Nevada, Reno (NV)  
Eric Murnane, McNeese State University (LA): Nobody Puts Trollfürst in the Corner  
Rebecca Moore, Mount Olive College (NC): Server  
Daniel Pfeiffer, Park University (MO): Antiphon  
Kate Benedetti, Union University (TN): Rain

D-4. Critical and Creative Responses to We the Animals  
Moderator: Jody Ragsdale, Northeast Alabama Community College (AL)  
Chair: Kelly Glass, Georgia Gwinnett College (GA)  
Jasmine Howze, Columbia College (SC): Abandoning Humanity  
Kristine Steddum, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin (MO): We the Animals by Justin Torres: A Poetic Response  
Christopher Owen, Northeast Alabama Community College (AL): A Newly Caustic Gaze  
Missy Wallace, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): We the Animals and Man in Nature

D-5. Crosscurrents in 19th Century American Fiction  
Moderator: Carrie Fitzpatrick, Alvernia University (PA)  
Chair: Ashley Moore, Winthrop University (SC)  
Courtney Wark, Mansfield University (PA): Pym’s Reversal of Colonizer and Colonized  
Leann Weiss, Western Illinois University (IL): Identity and Revolution in Delany’s Blake  
Amanda Ogea, McNeese State University (LA): Disability Theory in Adventures of Huckleberry Finn  
Hannah Ketring, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Stephen Crane’s Literary Forms in “The Blue Hotel”
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D-6. Original Poetry: Afloat on the River of Time  
Moderator: Dana Eckstein, Alumni Epsilon  
Chair: Antonio Byrd, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)  
Kevin Hall, Elion University (NC): ELAPSE  
Ethan Grothues, Schreiner University (TX): A Verse to Being  
Kelly McDonough, Illinois Valley Community College (IL): Between the Lines  
Amy Pollard, Saint Martin's University (WA): Devolution: A Poetry Collection  
Lyndon Seitz, Westfield State University (MA): The Living Garden  

D-7. The West in Literature and Film  
Moderator: Rebecca Hess, La Sierra University (CA)  
Chair: Brita Moore, Luther College (IA)  
Laura Melchor, La Sierra University (CA): Commercialized Catholicism: Frontier Life Recedes  
John Morel, Alumni Epsilon: He Had Some Other Tricks yet to Play  
Kristina Kroger, Northern Illinois University (IL): Serpents Rising: Metaphor in Almanac of the Dead  
Elizabeth Purvis, Elon University (NC): “Crazy Indians Made It”: Stagnation and Immobility  

D-8. Identity and Selfhood in Shakespeare  
Moderator: Rebecca Belcher-Rankin, Olivet Nazarene University (IL)  
Chair: Danielle Catalano, Saint Vincent College (PA)  
Shayla Hancock, Olivet Nazarene University (IL): The Angel in Vienna  
Daniel Orendorff, University of Dubuque (IA): Shakespeare’s Othello: Societal Effect of Racism  
Kacee McKinney, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK): A Critical Analysis of Hamlet  
Melodie Roschman, Andrews University (MI): Costuming and Selfhood in Gregory Doran’s Hamlet  

D-9. Pop Culture Royals  
Moderator: Andrea Ivanov-Craig, Azusa Pacific University (CA)  
Chair: Libby Chernouski, University of Wisconsin-Parkside (WI)  
Michael Horton, Concord University (WV): The Time Lord Byronic Hero  
Maura Corbett, Assumption College (MA): Doctor Who and Post-Imperial British Identity  
Alexandria Quesenberry, Maryville College (TN): Minx or Martyr: The Fictional Portrayals of Anne Boleyn  

D-10. Young Adult Literature  
Moderator: Mary Pier, Harris-Stowe State University (MO)  
Chair: Tyler Chestnut, University of Alabama (AL)  
Taylor Weil, College of Charleston (SC): Subjectivity in The Perks of Being a Wallflower  
Jacob Matkov, Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY): How Harry Potter's Message of Equality Fails  
Hannah Payne, University of North Carolina, Wilmington (NC): Fandoms, Harry Potter, and Nerdfighter Communities  
Alice Sudlow, Elon University (NC): Class in Lockhart’s The Disreputable History
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D-11. Doubles in Mrs. Dalloway
Moderator: Chad Schrock, Lee University (TN)
Chair: Shylah Slaughter, Lee University (TN)
Rachel Brunner, Bradley University (IL): The Woman in the Window
Donald Carpenter, Lee University (TN): The Aesthetic and the Political in Mrs. Dalloway
Hannah Clark, Chadron State College (NE): The Heat o’ the Sun: Suicide in Mrs. Dalloway
Ryan Furlong, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI): Secular Humanistic Form in Mrs. Dalloway

D-12. Original Fiction: The Internal Life
Moderator: Kathy Nixon, American University of Kuwait (KU)
Chair: Elaine Cannell, North Central College (IL)
Jeanette Fleck, Westfield State University (MA): Expectations
Jason Lawrence, Lee University (TN): Anomaly
Rebekah Bowen, Erskine College (SC): Clean

Moderator: Joan Reeves, Northeast Alabama Community College (AL)
Dr. Randy Cross will offer an informative and entertaining look at one of America’s best-selling novelists between the world wars. In 1924, Stribling’s controversial novel Birthright was made into a film. Then in 1933, he received the Pulitzer Prize for his novel The Store. His place in the Jazz Age remains secure due to his simultaneous popularity and critical success during that period. Caution: This lecture contains humor that scholars may find offensive. Sponsored by Sigma Kappa Delta, this event is open to all convention attendees.

D-14. Creative Nonfiction: Relationships
Moderator: Lillian Schanfield, Barry University (FL)
Chair: Larry Boothe, University of Alabama (AL)
Sherri Beck, Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne (IN): As Is the Mother
Anne Hays, Saint Leo University (FL): My Fifteen Minute Boyfriend
Rebekah Jerabek, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): Unbreakable
Rees Purdom, Park University (MO): Nosebleeds
Paul Hossenlopp, The University of Iowa (IA): Conner and Aaron
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D-15. Roundtable: *We the Animals, We the Archetypes*: Memoir, Truth, Fiction?  
**Moderator:** Stacey Triplette, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)

**Roundtable Participants:**
- Megan Hughes, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
- Tia Dunn-MacEwan, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
- Rebecca Parker, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
- Stacey Triplette, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
- Shannon Sankey, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)

In *We the Animals*, Justin Torres articulates a narrative that feels like a memoir but nonetheless utilizes numerous literary and cultural archetypes. This roundtable explores the way in which Torres opposes the archetypal and the individual, transitioning from the collective “we” of the beginning of the novel to the individualized “I” of the single narrator.

D-16. Creative Nonfiction: Adolescence  
**Moderator:** Dorothy Robbins, Louisiana Tech University (LA)  
**Chair:** Julie Patton, Marian University (WI)

**Roundtable Participants:**
- Katelin Colby, Baker University (KS): It Began with a Car
- Dylan McGonigle, University of Missouri, Kansas City (MO): Between the Eyes of the Whale
- Rachel Lofgren, Franklin Pierce University (NH): Conflicts
- Rachelle Kilgo, Louisiana Tech University (LA): Missing Matthew
- Sean Ahearn, Marist College (NY): A First Kiss Story

D-17. Roundtable: The Literary and Rhetorical Currents of Feminism  
**Moderator:** Bret Bowers, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (AR)

**Roundtable Participants:**
- Amber Breazzeal, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (AR)
- Jalyn Hays, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (AR)
- Michel LaCrue, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith (AR)

Women have the right to vote, to make equal wages, and to speak freely in their communities, states, and countries; they have the right to protest, to petition their governments, and to pursue happiness; women are free. How? What rhetorical tools did women employ to obtain their freedom?

D-18. Charlotte Perkins Gilman  
**Moderator:** Cami Agan, Oklahoma Christian University (OK)  
**Chair:** Leah Butterwick, Marist College (NY)

**Roundtable Participants:**
- Jessica Williams, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): The Inescapable Privilege of the Male in *Herland*
- Mindy Borth, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): The Cycle of Gardens in *Herland*
- Stefanie Trinkl, St. Norbert College (WI): Gilman’s Critique of the Mental Healthcare System
- Joshua Day, University of Indianapolis (IN): Patriarchal Rhetoric in "The Yellow Wallpaper"

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Session E: Friday, February 28 2:00-3:15 p.m.

E-1. Original Poetry: Constructing Identities Friday 2:00-3:15 Academy, LL
Moderator: Andrew Gray, Union University (TN)
Chair: Katelin Colby, Baker University (KS)
Alycia Hodges, University of Louisiana, Monroe (LA): Politic: The Construction of Me
Carrie Kline, St. Norbert College (WI): This Mask is What's Holding My Face Up
Kristine Steddum, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin (MO): The Human Animal
John Iler, Southern Utah University (UT): Lamentations and Dreams: Mourning Formal Things
Machen Picard, University of Alabama (AL): Boys I Know

E-2. Literature of the 1920s Friday 2:00-3:15 Mercer, LL
Moderator: Julia Chavez, Saint Martin's University (WA)
Chair: Christina Cappo, Marist College (NY)
Rebecca Pearson, Erskine College (SC): Eldritch Creations: Lost in Time and Space
Erin Kane, Marist College (NY): Faulkner's Female Rebels
Bryanna Martonis, SUNY, Fredonia (NY): The Transgression of Language
Nancy Barnard, William Carey University (MS): Pattern and Performance

E-3. Original Fiction: Family Matters Friday 2:00-3:15 Plaza, LL
Moderator: Kaine Ezell, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)
Chair: Garrett Corpier, Olivet Nazarene University (IL)
Willow Grosz, Northern Michigan University (MI): Lucky
Amanda Medlock, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Abilene Wars
Parker Hunt, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK): Sorry George
Elkid Alvarez Maldonado, Andrews University (MI): All The Things She Never Said

E-4. World Literature Friday 2:00-3:15 Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Ty Hawkins, Walsh University (OH)
Chair: Katelyn Cross, University of Kentucky (KY)
Hannah Bingham, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): National Identity Discourse in The Manyoshu
Gretchen Collier, Minot State University (ND): Farewell My Concubine: Revolution and the Peking Opera
Allison Garisto, Walsh University (OH): The Arabian Nights as Children's Literature
Bernadette Harris, Alumni Epsilon: A Heart Without Guile: In Defense of Genji
Kimberly Voeller, Fort Hays State University (KS): With a Powerful Touch

E-5. The Transcendentalists Friday 2:00-3:15 Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Nicole Sparling, Central Michigan University (MI)
Chair: Michael Crowley, Cardinal Stritch University (WI)
Michael Evans, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): Body and Soul: Emerson Against Dualism
Helen Strotman, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): The Shifting Perceptions of Emerson
John Wallace, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): The Ramifications of Transcendence
Stephanie Laszik, University of Texas at Tyler (TX): Marian Cult of Domesticity
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E-6. Original Poetry: Relationships
Moderator: Kristianna Kalata Vaccaro, Westminster College (PA)
Chair: Sara Day, Alma College (MI)
Kelly Noel Rasmussen, North Central College (IL): Love Songs
Riley Nisbet, Central Michigan University (MI): After The Love Poem
Ana Yanes, Columbia College (SC): Odes to Your Aromas
Negesti Kaudo, Elon University (NC): Arrhythmia
Sharon Sitler, Westfield State University (MA): Excerpts from Seven Years
Maggie Hess, Westminster College (PA): To Live Like Mosquitos

E-7. Medieval Women
Moderator: Amber Leichner, Morningside College (IA)
Chair: Marc Adrian De Leon, University of Toronto Scarborough (Canada)
Madeline Cicitto, Westfield State University (MA): Hildeburh’s Tragedy: A Warning Left Unheeded
Hannah Hecht, Morningside College (IA): Female Characters in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight
Karen Meacham, Tarrant County College, Southeast Campus (TX): The Mystic Path: Julian of Norwich & Margery Kempe
Amy Wilson, Brenau University (GA): The Compassion of Guildeluce

E-8. The Art of Toni Morrison
Moderator: Joseph Gerlick, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Matt Johnson, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Corbin Zerr, Alumni Epsilon: The Haunting Past
Laura Seiple, Westminster College (PA): Mother/Daughter Bonds and Identity in Beloved
Amelia Holmes, Western Carolina University (NC): The Crooked Room Made Straight

E-9. Uncovering the Classics
Moderator: Kristina McClendon, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Nathanial Dibert, Penn State Altoona (PA)
Emily Steiner, Elon University (NC): The Forgotten Hero: Telamonian Ajax
Elizabeth McKinney, Ohio Northern University (OH): Behind Every Epic Hero is an Epic Heroine
Missy Wallace, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): Weaving in The Odyssey
Rachel Landers, University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL): Supplicatory Acts in Egils’ Saga

E-10. New Practices in English
Moderator: John Kerrigan, Rockhurst University (MO)
Chair: Rachel Lofgren, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Parker Worden, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): The Acceptance and Use of Swearing in Classrooms
Sarah Mascioli, Westfield State University (MA): Implement More Essays in the Classroom
Margarita Norment, Southern Arkansas University (AR): Finding a Voice: The Common Core in a Loud Society
Deborah Dessaso, Alumni Epsilon: Training the Imagination to Write Critically
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E-11. Echoes of the Past in 20th Century Literature  Friday  2:00-3:15  Forsyth, 2nd Floor  
**Moderator:** Felicia Jean Steele, The College of New Jersey (NJ)  
**Chair:** Nicole Cochran, University of Alabama (AL)  
*Everett Secor,* University of Alabama (AL): Adding to Savinien’s Troubles  
*Rachel Chlebowski,* The College of New Jersey (NJ): “Home” and “Nobody Like Me” in *The Lazarus Project*  
*Bethany Wohlfeil,* Central Michigan University (MI): History and the Water of the Fens  
*Kristen Hixon,* Charleston Southern University (SC): Jack Burden’s Illusive History

E-12. Contemporary American Literature  Friday  2:00-3:15  Franklin, 2nd Floor  
**Moderator:** Rhonda Armstrong, Georgia Regents University (GA)  
**Chair:** Anne Drees, Fort Hays State University (KS)  
*Renee Poland,* University of North Carolina, Wilmington (NC): The Beats Move On  
*Kim Lilienthal,* Elon University (NC): "Hit Means Gold:" Names and Symbols in *Oral History*  
*Lorin Blackburn,* Missouri Valley College (MO): Aspects of Invisibility in *Invisible Man* and *The Bluest Eye*  
*Hannah Blum,* University of Nebraska, Kearney (NE): Fraternal Love on the Frontline

E-13. Roundtable: Teaching to *We the Animals*  Friday  2:00-3:15  Savannah A, LL  
*by Justin Torres*  
**Moderator:** Sarah Dangelantonio, Franklin Pierce University (NH)  
*Roundtable Participants:*  
*Christine Boulanger,* Franklin Pierce University (NH)  
*Amelea Gray,* Franklin Pierce University (NH)  
*Amanda Montgomery,* Sacred Heart University (CT)  
*Meg Darcy,* Franklin Pierce University (NH)  
*Elizabeth Dangelantonio,* Alfred University (NY)  
Prepare to be involved in this interactive discussion of a variety of approaches to using Justin Torres’s *We The Animals* in the classroom. Participate in a free write, learn various pedagogical approaches for this novel, and discuss the novel’s value as a means of teaching controversial topics.

E-14. All's Fair...  Friday  2:00-3:15  Savannah B, LL  
**Moderator:** Delores Stephens, Morehouse College (GA)  
**Chair:** Megan Duff, St. Norbert College (WI)  
*Shaun Fitzpatrick,* The College of New Jersey (NJ): In Defense of May: Chaucer’s Women Who Cheat  
*Marnelle Dorvil,* Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY): Marriage and Money: Contrasting Forces  
*Caitlin Branum,* Samford University (AL): Distorted Sexuality in *The Waste Land*
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E-15. Roundtable: Lads, Cads, and Dads: Men in Pride and Prejudice
Moderator: Kevin Stemmler, Clarion University (PA)

Roundtable Participants:
Cayleigh Boniger, Clarion University (PA)
Morgan Johnson, Southern Arkansas University (AR)
Christian Crankfield, Clarion University (PA)
Brianna Snow, Clarion University (PA)

The 200th anniversary of the publication of Pride and Prejudice seems like a perfect time to discuss the relevance of the novel. This roundtable discussion will focus on the depictions of male characters in Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice. Since many readers tend to focus on the female characters, it seems reasonable to discuss how they function in response to the masculinities of the opposite sex.

E-16. Investigating Shakespeare
Moderator: Shane Graham, Utah State University (UT)
Chair: Whitney May, Texas State University (TX)

Caroline Braun, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Honor Killing in Shakespeare's Titus Andronicus
Matthew Chacko, Andrews University (MI): Theatrical and Empirical Identity in Coriolanus
Ali Webb, University of Arkansas, Little Rock (AR): Love and War in Shakespeare's Rhetoric
Alenica Young, Utah State University (UT): The Tempest: Looking Through a Broken Mirror

E-17. Roundtable: Exploring Fairytales in Popular Culture
Moderator: Gloria Hochstein, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI)

Roundtable Participants:
Amanda Lonsdorf, Alumni Epsilon
Victoria Gore, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)

What do NBC's Grimm, Disney, and Adventure Time have in common? They all borrow from fantastical stories of antiquity and propel those storytelling traditions, themes and characters into popular culture. Come join us to talk about where we've come from and where we're going in myth, fairytale, and folklore.

E-18. The Arts of War
Moderator: Diane Dowdey, Sam Houston State University (TX)
Chair: Kayla Dykes, Lee University (TN)

Audrey Ward, Samford University (AL): Sassoon's "The Rear-Guard" as Poetic Protest
Chelsea Walker, Chestnut Hill College (PA): In Our Time: Hemingway and Soldier's Detachment
Olivia Skelton, Union University (TN): Love as Sacrifice in Ernest Hemingway's Works
Jeannette Schollaert, Chatham University (PA): The Feminine Ideal in A Farewell to Arms
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Session F:  Friday, February 28  3:30-4:45 p.m.

F-1. Original Poetry: The Arts of Poetry  Friday  3:30-4:45  Academy, LL
Moderator: Lexey Bartlett, Fort Hays State University (KS)
Chair: Alexandra Jurus, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Alex Muller, Winthrop University (SC): A New Poetic Form: The Motet and Moveable Language
Christopher Owen, Northeast Alabama Community College (AL): Ponderous Poetry Collection
Von Wise, Carnegie Mellon University (PA): Lack of Coherence
Matthew McIntyre, Fort Hays State University (KS): A Series of Useless Poems
Bibi Lewis, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Patterns of Speech Unspun

F-2. Creative Nonfiction: Ports of Call  Friday  3:30-4:45  Mercer, LL
Moderator: Steven Harthorn, Williams Baptist College (AR)
Chair: Rachel Brunner, Bradley University (IL)
Stephanie Sarkany, Columbia College (SC): On Searching for Home in a Strange Land
Natalie Thiess, Indiana University of Pennsylvania (PA): Upside Down
Adam Eckard, Williams Baptist College (AR): "A Living Market"
Meaghan Clohessy, Chatham University (PA): Emerson at the Airport

F-3. Original Fiction: Fantasy and Magic Realism  Friday  3:30-4:45  Plaza, LL
Moderator: Gary Tandy, George Fox University (OR)
Chair: Charles Carter, Oklahoma Christian University (OK)
Cody Love, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA): The Raven and the Wolf
Victoria Nunnenkamp, George Fox University (OR): Measuring Up
Elizabeth Ulrich, Westfield State University (MA): Gray
Ashley Stern, St. Norbert College (WI): Making Rent

F-4. Latin American Literature  Friday  3:30-4:45  Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Jodi Wagner-Angell, Marian University (WI)
Chair: Hannah Clark, Chadron State College (NE)
Robyn Gold, The College of New Jersey (NJ): The Latina Woman: Neck or Head?
James Gooch, Concord University (WV): Gaytino: A Look at Homosexuality in Latin America
Kayla Smiddy, University of North Carolina, Wilmington (NC): Children of the Pedro Pan Airlift: Impact on Relationships
Angela Vis, Marian University (WI): Gender Performance and Invisibility in Maya's Notebook

F-5. Wordsworth and Coleridge  Friday  3:30-4:45  Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Kathleen Beres Rogers, The College of Charleston (SC)
Chair: Caitlin Creson, Georgia Regents University (GA)
David Goff, University of South Carolina Beaufort (SC): Romantic Nirvana
Kayla Dykes, Lee University (TN): The Idolized Death in Wordsworth’s “We Are Seven”
Ashley Mitchell, College of Charleston (SC): Beauty in our Surroundings: A Reading of Wordsworth
Rebecca Hatcher, Campbell University (NC): Denying a Sinful Nature in Coleridge's Christabel
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<td>Joseph Carroll, Saint Vincent College (PA): Jake Barnes’ Sacrificial Path to Redemption</td>
<td>Bennett Summers, Saint Vincent College (PA): Saved By Zero: Robert Cohn as Liberator</td>
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<td>Emily Lund, George Fox University (OR): The Role of Style in <em>The Great Gatsby</em></td>
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<td>Abigail Hennon Leksell, Slippery Rock University (PA): Canto V of Dante’s <em>Inferno</em>: A Lesson in Lust</td>
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F-11. Crossing Borders  
**Moderator:** Douglas Jones, Andrews University (MI)  
**Chair:** Rebecca Ferlotti, John Carroll University (OH)  

Timothy Hucks, Andrews University (MI): The Other Within the Other  
Caroline Thomas, Erskine College (SC): Psychological Oppression in *Wide Sargasso Sea*  
Nicole Kustak, University of South Carolina Beaufort (SC): Foul Play with Fowl Wording  
Katie Spaulding, Dominican University of California (CA): *Wide Sargasso Sea* and Female Creole Identity

F-12. Original Fiction: Estrangements  
**Moderator:** Austin Payne, Alumni Epsilon  
**Chair:** Caitlin Fredlock, Azusa Pacific University (CA)  

Joanna Gonzalez, Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY): Cartoon Devils  
Brianna Snow, Clarion University (PA): Coming Home  
Brittany Doyle, Columbia College (SC): Nerves  
Meg Darcy, Franklin Pierce University (NH): Adultery is a Sin

F-13. Roundtable: Injustice, Sex, Poverty, and Violence in *We the Animals*  
**Moderator:** Jennifer Eimers, Missouri Valley College (MO)  

Roundtable Participants:  
Kelsey Hixson-Bowles, Kansas State University (KS)  
Kimberly Voeller, Fort Hays State University (KS)  
Anne Drees, Fort Hays State University (KS)  

Focusing on the boys’ childhood allows access to point out common and relevant themes or issues in the book. Topics such as injustice, sex, poverty, violence, homosexuality, mental illness, and others can and will be discussed. This discussion will be presented both in a large group and smaller discussion-orientated groups.

F-14. American Drama  
**Moderator:** Dana Aspinall, Alma College (MI)  
**Chair:** Allison Garisto, Walsh University (OH)  

Ruth Stamper, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin (MO): Albee's 2004 Revision of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*  
Chris Norris, University of Evansville (IN): Fate vs. Action in *The Iceman Cometh*  
Sarah Munson, Morningside College (IA): M Butterfly Deconstruction  
Christina Rann, Alma College (MI): Tom’s Mental Prism in *The Glass Menagerie*
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F-15. Roundtable: Toward a Poetics of the Tweet
   Friday 3:30-4:45  Savannah C, LL
Moderator: Glen Brewster, Westfield State University (MA)
Roundtable Participants:
Jessica Thelen, Westfield State University (MA)
Bradford Avery, Westfield State University (MA)
Kyle Johnston, Westfield State University (MA)
Billi MacTighe, Westfield State University (MA)
Can a tweet be “literary”? How does narrative act in one hundred and forty characters? This roundtable discussion will explore the narrative structures imminent in the social network Twitter and examine the “new” forms through which the world is narrating itself online.

F-16. Creative Nonfiction: Memorable Places
   Friday 3:30-4:45  Savannah D, LL
Moderator: Deborah Reese, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA)
Chair: Joelle George, Ohio Northern University (OH)
Kelsey Camacho, Elon University (NC): The Landscape of Memory
Charles Relyea, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): The Lovely Luxembourg Gardens
Gilberto Nunez, Cameron University (OK): Making a Better Man Through Travel
Sara Olson, Morningside College (IA): My Experience within the Catacombs

F-17. Roundtable: The Myth of the Exceptional Child in Young Adult Fiction
   Friday 3:30-4:45  Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Stacey Triplette, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
Roundtable Participants:
Megan Hughes, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
Tia Dunn-MacEwan, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
Stacey Triplette, University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg (PA)
In mainstream young adult fiction, protagonists are often exceptional, and their authors prepare them equally for heroism and sacrifice. In this roundtable we seek to unravel the myth of the special child (or the scapegoat) through an exploration of such contemporary popular works as the Harry Potter and The Hunger Games series.

F-18. Visual Inquiries
   Friday 3:30-4:45  General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Felicia Jean Steele, The College of New Jersey (NJ)
Chair: Kristen Gilbert, Notre Dame of Maryland University (MD)
Nan Kavanaugh, University of North Florida (FL): The Abstraction of Interpretation
Betsy Blumenthal, The College of New Jersey (NJ): Image Integrity and Text in Righteous Dopefiend
Samantha Gores, Minot State University (ND): Turning the Bourgeoisie into Soap
Kristen Cholley, McNeese State University (LA): Images of the Holocaust: Ethical Presentations of Hell
Concurrent Sessions

Session G: Saturday, March 1  8:00-9:15 a.m.

G-1. Original Poetry: Mind and Spirit  Saturday  8:00-9:15  Academy, LL
Moderator: Michel Aaij, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Chair: Amelea Gray, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
August Smith, Western Michigan University (MI): Coping w/ Poetic Modernity & Lookin Good Doin It
Julius Robledo, Broward College (FL): Sour Girl
Andrew Kaucher, Alvernia University (PA): From the Cloister of Vagrancy
Matt Johnson, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): What's Time Worth?

G-2. Creative Nonfiction: Family Ties  Saturday  8:00-9:15  Mercer, LL
Moderator: Ty Hawkins, Walsh University (OH)
Chair: Matthew Chacko, Andrews University (MI)
Jessica Miller, Saint Leo University (FL): The Memory of Trees
Dominica Rhein, Walsh University (OH): Becoming Bridget's Family
Eve Christensen, Luther College (IA): Finding My Mother
Molly Fox, Northern Michigan University (MI): Searching For Moose

G-3. Original Fiction: In the Ebb and Flow  Saturday  8:00-9:15  Plaza, LL
Moderator: Traci Thomas-Card, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Meaghan Clohessy, Chatham University (PA)
Kyle Ritland, Erskine College (SC): The Pacific
Racheljoy Capitola, Saint Leo University (FL): Rebellious Recollections
Michael Seitz, Alumni Epsilon: A Troubled High
Keturah Barchers, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO): Gone

G-4. Nineteenth Century Continental Literature  Saturday  8:00-9:15  Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Diane Steinberg, The College of New Jersey (NJ)
Chair: Angela Ehle, Franciscan University of Steubenville (OH)
Rachel Timokhina, Ouachita Baptist University (AR): Tolstoy: A Hedgehog with the Philosophy of a Fox
Aqeela Naqvi, The College of New Jersey (NJ): Dostoevsky's Carnival: Corruption by Subversion
Katherine Little, Samford University (AL): Restorative Justice in Hugo’s Les Misérables
Jennifer Lockemeyer, Pepperdine University (CA): Love and Laceration: Nadryv in Brothers Karamazov

G-5. Death and Resurrection in American Literature  Saturday  8:00-9:15  Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Cami Agan, Oklahoma Christian University (OK)
Chair: McKenzie Ellis, University of Evansville (IN)
Alexander Grapp, The University of Iowa (IA): “Finished Faces”: Death as Conclusion
Carolyn Johnson, Broward College (FL): The Price of Beauty
Jonathan Scheppeggel, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Poe and the Metaphor of Entombment
Laura Hardt, Sacred Heart University (CT): Female Resurrection in Poe’s Tales
Concurrent Sessions

G-6. Creative Nonfiction: Close Encounters
Saturday 8:00-9:15
Pulaski, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Austin Payne, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Brice Ezell, George Fox University (OR)

Rachael Flora, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Graveface's Mystery Man
Paul Smith, Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne (IN): Flirting with the Gutter
Audrey Zabolonski, Ramapo College of New Jersey (NJ): Revelations from Behind the Counter
Rachel Talbot, Erskine College (SC): The Cool of a Graveyard in the Heat of Summer
Josh Sammons, University of Pikeville (KY): Little Projects

G-7. Fantasy and Science Fiction
Saturday 8:00-9:15
Suite 404, 4th Floor
Moderator: Ericka Hoagland, Stephen F. Austin State University (TX)
Chair: Andrew Gerske, Western Illinois University (IL)

Catherine Natoli, Marist College (NY): Identity in Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
Mike Pacini, Central Michigan University (MI): Navigating the Flow of Nonsense in Wonderland
Kevin Stones, University of Nebraska, Kearney (NE): Peter Pan: Death in Children's Literature
Katherine Mohr, Luther College (IA): Seeing Frankenstein through Plato’s “Cave”
Sarah Wolf, Hastings College (NE): From Rust to Riches-The Tin Man’s Allegorical Journey

G-8. To the Lighthouse
Saturday 8:00-9:15
Oglethorpe A, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Roger Stanley, Union University (TN)
Chair: Karen Meacham, Tarrant County College, Southeast Campus (TX)

Abby Williams, Union University (TN): The House in To The Lighthouse
Emily Holton, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Predicating Permanence in To the Lighthouse
Janet Sheffer, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Writing the Mind: Art In a Parallel World
Cameron Wilson, Union University (TN): Breaking Free: Gender Roles in To the Lighthouse

G-9. Shakespeare's Mad Men and Machiavels
Saturday 8:00-9:15
Oglethorpe B, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Beth DeMeo, Alvernia University (PA)
Chair: Kathryn Meyer, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO)

Brita Moore, Luther College (IA): The Method to His Madness: Hamlet and the "Fishmonger"
Bailey Layman, Williams Baptist College (AR): Hamlet: Currents of Madness in a Virtuous Reality
Jennifer Crompton, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Sympathy for the Mad King
Eric Whitehead, Louisiana Tech University (LA): The Duality of Richard III as the Machiavel

G-10. Original Drama/Screenplay
Saturday 8:00-9:15
Johnson, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Judith Clark, Stephens College (MO)
Chair: James Gilson, Kansas State University (KS)

Rebecca Pearson, Erskine College (SC): The Waiting Room
Joseph Gerlick, Alumni Epsilon: For Your Eyes Alone
Courtney Smalley, Thomas More College (KY): Resonant Frequency
Christina Danos, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Neil Patrick Harris
Dana Eckstein, Alumni Epsilon: Honey, We Need to Bail Out
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G-11. Cultural, Racial, and Sexual Identities Saturday 8:00-9:15 Forsyth, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Sandra Petrulionis, Penn State Altoona (PA)
Chair: Ann Deibert, Clarion University (PA)
Matthew Finley, Pepperdine University (CA): Masculine Identity Construction in Fences
Anne Maucieri, Penn State Altoona (PA): Towards a Womanist: Celie’s Quest for Identity
Katie Talken, St. Norbert College (WI): Bumping and Grinding in Dancer From the Dance
Severina Scott, St. Norbert College (WI): Identity and Isolation: Monsters in What Becomes You

G-12. Original Fiction: Horror and Suspense Saturday 8:00-9:15 Franklin, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Lexey Bartlett, Fort Hays State University (KS)
Chair: Amber Mathias, Columbia College (SC)
Caitlin Bittner, Alumni Epsilon: The Neighbor
Kaila Cummings, Westfield State University (MA): The Dead Love the Dead
Ronni Wood, Concord University (WV): The Widow’s Ghost

Moderator: Sarah Dangelantonio, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Roundtable Participants:
Marisa Stickel, Fairmont State University (WV)
Betsy Blumenthal, The College of New Jersey (NJ)
Sarah Queen, Fairmont State University (WV)
Elizabeth Dangelantonio, Alfred University (NY)
The South is known for their hospitality and their Southern Belles. In exploring Margaret Mitchell’s Gone With the Wind and the characters of Scarlett O’Hara and Melanie Hamilton Wilkes, this roundtable will delve into the gender roles of women characters and what the true characteristics are of a true heroine.

G-14. Creative Nonfiction: Contemporary Life Saturday 8:00-9:15 Savannah D, LL
Moderator: Kristina McClendon, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Meg Darcy, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Quinn Whitaker, Northwest Missouri State University (MO): Dating in the Digital Age
Joe Bartel, St. Norbert College (WI): Washington Redskins Need to Get With the Program
Megan McCue, Alumni Epsilon: Memoirs of a Couples’ Counselor
Kelli Martin, Park University (MO): Lost in Transit
Taylor Harrison, North Central College (IL): The 189th Mile
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Saturday 8:00-9:15 Savannah E, LL

Moderator: Marsha Walker, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)

Roundtable Participants:
Marsha Walker, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)
Melanie Collins-Small, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)
Ashley Mallory, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)
Kristyn Ferguson, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)
Kyla Brown, Johnson C. Smith University (NC)

An investigation of select youth literatures of the 19th/20th centuries make it alarmingly apparent that rivers of ideas and words can indeed—and, do—run dry. However, advancements in technology allow younger audiences to trace the history of these smaller river currents while writing the stories of their own lives.

G-16. Explorations of the Visual Realm
Saturday 8:00-9:15 General McIntosh, LL

Moderator: John Kandl, Walsh University (OH)
Chair: Joanna Gonzalez, Long Island University, Brooklyn (NY)

Victoria Murray, Charleston Southern University (SC): Fairy Tale & Coming of Age: Symbiosis in Labyrinth
Elizabeth Vest, Concord University (WV): Pan's Feminism
Emily Rogers, Walsh University (OH): Benjamin Franklin’s Polly Baker and Miley Cyrus
Mearte Winter, Ohio Northern University (OH): The Feminist Criticism and the Disney Princess

G-17. Roundtable: Strange Pedagogy: Media, Poetry & Graphic Memoir
Saturday 8:00-9:15 Savannah A, LL

Moderator: Deborah Dessaso, Alumni Epsilon

Roundtable Participants:
Janine Brooks, University of Nebraska at Omaha (NE)
Matthew Kemp, Auburn University Montgomery (AL)
Jennifer Hewerdine, Southern Illinois University (IL)
Minadora Macheret, Northern Kentucky University (KY)

This discussion will center on pedagogy that defies the traditional lecture or linear-based essay through the use of graphic novels and memoirs, culture jamming to teach argumentation, and poetry. These platforms offer engaging pedagogical possibilities for basic writers, learning disabled, veteran, ESL and other "non-traditional" students.

G-18. Roundtable: Collaboration among Honor Societies
Saturday 8:00-9:15 Savannah B, LL

Moderator: Jill Chadwick, Calhoun Community College (AL)

Roundtable Participants:
Dave Wendelin, Director, National English Honor Society
Brianna Dye, Executive Assistant at Sigma Kappa Delta National Office (AL)
Gloria Hochstein, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI)
Crystal Kloth, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI)
Jessica McCole, Alumna of both Sigma Tau Delta and Sigma Kappa Delta

All participants have worked with more than one of the organizations of Sigma Tau Delta, Sigma Kappa Delta, and NEHS. They will discuss the advantages of collaboration among the groups and brainstorm with the audience to envision even more opportunities for shared experiences, creating a list of ideas for posting on each organization’s website.
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Session H: Saturday, March 1  9:30-10:45 a.m.

H-1. Roundtable: Are You Ready for Some Teaching?  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Academy, LL
Moderator: Sarah Dangelantonio, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Roundtable Participants:

Jennifer Hewerdine, Southern Illinois University (IL)
Ashley McCormack, Franklin Pierce University (NH)
Chris Ramirez, University of the Pacific (CA)
Jill Leisgang, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay (WI)

Students who are currently student teaching or who have completed their student teaching assignments in the Fall 2013 or Spring 2013 semesters share their experiences, both highpoints and challenges, to help those preparing to student teach gain a fuller understanding of all that will be involved; significant time will be spent on audience interaction, including Q & A.

H-2. Original Fiction: Family Matters  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Mercer, LL
Moderator: Kevin Brown, Lee University (TN)
Chair: Kathryn Grogan, Azusa Pacific University (CA)

Kathrine Biggs, Southwestern Oklahoma State University (OK): A Tale Of LaMuncha
Victoria Hilton, University of South Carolina Beaufort (SC): Sister Knows Best
Michael Crowley, Cardinal Stritch University (WI): Television
Neil Cooney, Lee University (TN): Good People

H-3. Medieval Genre and Motif  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Plaza, LL
Moderator: James Matthews, Fairmont State University (WI)
Chair: Sara Harvey, University of Northern Colorado (CO)

Taylor Hare, Union University (TN): Grandiose Mourning: The Elegiac in Beowulf
Sarah Lawson, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): The Morte D'Arthur and Literary Fairy Tales
Olivia Kenney, Montana State University, Bozeman (MT): Not Your Wife, Just His Life
Tracy Sabin, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Mockery of Chivalry in the Fabliaux
Victoria Siler, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): The Locus Amoenus—Unchanged After 2,000 Years

H-4. Images of Women  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Chatham, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Constance Malloy, Hastings College (NE)
Chair: James Hastings, Flagler College (FL)

Katelyn Grose, Blue Mountain College (MS): Welty and Woolf on Killing "The Angel in the House"
Kellie Rendina, The College of New Jersey (NJ): The Jezebel in African American Literature
Joanna Tepper, Winthrop University (SC): “Man’s” Work: Pioneer Women in My Ántonia
Nicole Godard, Westfield State University (MA): All a Woman Has to Give: Sister Carrie to Fifty Shades
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H-5. Creative Nonfiction: Questions of Identity  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Reynolds, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Jon Peacock, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Erin Gurley, University of Alabama (AL)
Connor McDade, Elon University (NC): The Biggest Liar
Katherine Kosich, University of Alabama (AL): Water Falls
Rachel Hoge, Western Kentucky University (KY): The Factory
Katie Hopmann, Ouachita Baptist University (AR): Pancake Girl
Kristen Gilbert, Notre Dame of Maryland University (MD): Show 121: The End of Childhood

H-6. Contemporary Fiction: Past, Present, Future  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Pulaski, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Glen Brewster, Westfield State University (MA)
Chair: Hannah Hecht, Morningside College (IA)
Anna Moyer, University of Alabama (AL): Witness Conquers Erasure in McCarthy's Blood Meridian
Michelle Nussbaum, Elon University (NC): Reader Identification in The Catcher in the Rye
Tessa Newell, Westfield State University (MA): Transcending Conformity with Clothing
Jamie Simpher, The University of Iowa (IA): Carrying the Fire: Facing the Absurd in The Road

H-7. Gender and Sexuality in Renaissance Drama  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Suite 404, 4th Floor
Moderator: Roger Stanley, Union University (TN)
Chair: Kathryn Herbert, Marist College (NY)
Kyra Rickards, Linfield College (OR): Framing and Taming The Tamer Tamed
Joseph Salazar, University of Missouri, Kansas City (MO): Portia Disrupts the Homosocial Threat to Capitalism
Michelle Finnegan, University of Dubuque (IA): Describing Iago’s Homosexual Role in Othello
Gracie Wise, Union University (TN): Fathers, Daughters, and Independence

H-8. Tolkien, Lewis, and Diaz  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Oglethorpe A, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Kaine Ezell, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)
Chair: Jessica Miller, Saint Leo University (FL)
Caitlyn Girardi, Palm Beach Atlantic University (FL): The Danger of Bacchus in The Chronicles of Narnia
Maureen Kraft, Alumni Epsilon: Bilbo’s Apotheosis
Megan Pinckard, Union University (TN): All Geek to Me–On the Elvish Language

Moderator: Kristianna Kalata Vaccaro, Westminster College (PA)
Chair: Matthew Hodapp, Rockhurst University (MO)
Tanner Underwood, Northern Illinois University (IL): Hopkins and Eliot: Practitioners of Modernism
Kaylyn Johnson, University of Alabama (AL): Comprehension Out of Confusion
Rachael Belmore, Northern Michigan University (MI): Imagism in Hart Crane's "Garden Abstract"
Concurrent Sessions

H-10. Victorian Sexualities  Saturday 9:30-10:45  Johnson, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Julianne Smith, Pepperdine University (CA)
Chair: Alycia Hodges, University of Louisiana, Monroe (LA)
Emma Richl, St. Norbert College (WI): Jarmyce’s Sexual Ambiguity: Renewing Bleak House
Marisa Scofield, Pepperdine University (CA): Shifting Marriage Paradigms in Middlemarch
Gabriella Zewdu-Habte, St. Norbert College (WI): Tess of the D’Urbervilles’ Depiction of Rape Trauma
Sara Day, Alma College (MI): Heathcliff’s Revenge

H-11. Original Fiction: Deconstructing Loss  Saturday 9:30-10:45  Forsyth, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Raymond Ventre, Northern Michigan University (MI)
Chair: Yue Chen Hou, University of Toronto Scarborough (Canada)
Tyler Chestnut, University of Alabama (AL): Springflight
Rebekah Morrisson, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI): Deconstructing Love
Ashley O’Donnell, Northern Michigan University (MI): The Gravestone
Amy Baxter, Franklin Pierce University (NH): When the Memory Hits

H-12. Roundtable: Disney’s Moving Castle: Key Inclusion of Miyazaki’s Canon  Saturday 9:30-10:45  Franklin, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Sandra Mayfield, University of Central Oklahoma (OK)
Roundtable Participants:
Virginia Pfaehler, Columbia College (SC)
Stephanie Sarkany, Columbia College (SC)
Amber Mathias, Columbia College (SC)
Ana Yanes, Columbia College (SC)
This panel will explore the various heroines of Hayao Miyazaki’s numerous feature anime. The discussion will address the characterization of these heroines and their relation to the typical heroine of Western works. After a brief overview of the key heroines and comparisons, the conversation will open to include the audience.

Moderator: Leigh Ann Rhea, Calhoun Community College (AL)
Roundtable Participants:
Amy Wilson, Brenau University (GA)
Ashley Lee, Brenau University (GA)
Ariel Simmons, Brenau University (GA)
True Flannery O’Connor lovers know the Savannah native’s masterful depiction of the South often unveils itself in the form of dark and disturbing images. The roundtable will explore five of O’Connor’s short stories and analyze how the author employs grotesque symbolism and imagery to convey her messages about the South.

H-14. Daniel Mendelsohn Q & A  Saturday 9:30-10:45  Savannah C, LL
Moderator: John Pennington, St. Norbert College (WI)
Concurrent Sessions

H-15. American Indian Literature: Negotiating Traditions  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Robert Crafton, Slippery Rock University (PA)
Chair: Jonathan Howard, Liberty University (VA)
Ashley Cook, Slippery Rock University (PA): The Vanishing American and the Trickster
Joshua Rudnik, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO): Sherman Alexie's Use of the Bildungsroman
Amber Roberts, Maryville College (TN): Communal Mothering in Silko

H-16. Roundtable: World of Digital Literacy  Saturday  9:30-10:45  General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Carrie Fitzpatrick, Alvernia University (PA)
Roundtable Participants:
Chelsea Prosser, Alvernia University (PA)
Jessica Ciesla, Alvernia University (PA)
Brooke Deamer, Alvernia University (PA)
By living in the digital age, we interpret language and literacy differently than ever before. How have our attention spans, memory, reading and writing habits been influenced by the evolving technology? This roundtable will debate the ways in which consumers read, how they consume words and what they use to gather information.

H-17. Harlem and the New Negro Renaissance  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Savannah A, LL
Moderator: Lexey Bartlett, Fort Hays State University (KS)
Chair: Parker Hunt, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)
Matthew Germenis, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS): Illusion and Identity in The Souls of Black Folk
Rudi Pangad, South Carolina State University (SC): An Analysis of The Writing Style Amongst The “New Negro” Poet
Kimberly Voeller, Fort Hays State University (KS): The Lack of Something
Jocelyn Kirk, Alma College (MI): Both Sides of the Moon

H-18. Literary Potpourri: American Vignettes  Saturday  9:30-10:45  Savannah B, LL
Moderator: Joseph Gerlick, Alumni Epsilon
Chair: Bethany Jackson, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)
Colleen Kellogg, Metropolitan State University of Denver (CO): All-American Woman
Nicole Cochran, University of Alabama (AL): Songs of the Heartland
Maxwell Moser, Northwest Nazarene University (ID): Call of the Suburban Wild
Madelyn Gates, Western Kentucky University (KY): While Looking at My Brother's Baseball Card
Brigid Markey, Fort Hays State University (KS): What We See or Seem
Concurrent Sessions

Session I:  Saturday, March 1  11:00-12:15 p.m.

I-1. 20th Century Fiction  
Moderator: Ellen McWhorter, Merrimack College (MA)  
Chair: Jackie Hassin, Franklin Pierce University (NH)  
Jennifer Hanselman, Merrimack College (MA): Form in Winesburg, Ohio: A Reflection of Modernism  
Kimberly Davis, Sam Houston State University (TX): Transculturation of Voudou in Mumbo Jumbo  
Margaret Yankovich, Chatham University (PA): Female Bodies in The Exorcist and Beloved  
Caitlin Fredlock, Azusa Pacific University (CA): Hemingway's Faith in Novels

I-2. Creative Nonfiction: Heritage  
Moderator: James Matthews, Fairmont State University (WI)  
Chair: Lisa Folkmire, Alma College (MI)  
Rita Baker, University of Pikeville (KY): Second Chances  
Inna Telkova, North Central University (MN): School Lunch  
Angela Ehle, Franciscan University of Steubenville (OH): Knitting Together  
Rachel Sudbeck, Western Kentucky University (KY): Patchwork

I-3. Original Fiction: Tidal Motions  
Moderator: Diane Dowdey, Sam Houston State University (TX)  
Chair: Robyn Gold, The College of New Jersey (NJ)  
Anna English, Ouachita Baptist University (AR): A Cautious Venture: An Excerpt from "Freeflight"  
Kelsey Robertson, Dixie State University (UT): Late Bloomer  
Kate Tesch, Central Michigan University (MI): Trigger  
Matthew Hodapp, Rockhurst University (MO): Buried Treasure

I-4. Voices of Africa  
Moderator: Shane Graham, Utah State University (UT)  
Chair: Alexander Grapp, The University of Iowa (IA)  
Braden Clinger, Utah State University (UT): “Ifs” of South Africa: Sepamla, Kipling, and Race  
Kathleen Franks, University of North Alabama (AL): Cultural Prejudice in The Dilemma of a Ghost  
Katelyn Richardson, Notre Dame of Maryland University (MD): A Fight for Equality: Women’s Roles in Things Fall Apart  
Sara Blackburn, University of Pikeville (KY): Nervous Conditions

I-5. Eulogizing the American Dream  
Moderator: Sarah Copeland, Alumni Epsilon  
Chair: Sarah Grey, Cardinal Stritch University (WI)  
Hunter Parham, University of Arkansas, Little Rock (AR): Demise of the American Dream: Gatsby and American Beauty  
Chelsea Lantz-Cashman, Western Carolina University (NC): That Old Story: Rewriting a Grimm Reality  
Lisa Montes de Oca, Minot State University (ND): Mad Men Manifests the American Dream  
Abigail Kawell, Samford University (AL): Defining Beauty in American Beauty
Concurrent Sessions

I-6. Original Poetry: Crossing Thresholds  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Pulaski, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Glen Brewster, Westfield State University (MA)
Chair: Willow Grosz, Northern Michigan University (MI)
Christina Mortellaro, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Breaking Rock Candy Dresses
Christina Stopka-Rinnert, Alumni Epsilon: Artemis Red: Riding Hood Revisited
Jesse Silk, Cedarville University (OH): Wash the Water
Billi MacTighe, Westfield State University (MA): Borderline
Genean Granger, Northern Michigan University (MI): River Current of Words

I-7. Roundtable: Film and the 1920s  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Suite 404, 4th Floor
Moderator: Shannin Schroeder, Southern Arkansas University (AR)

Roundtable Participants:
Shannin Schroeder, Southern Arkansas University (AR)
Morgan Johnson, Southern Arkansas University (AR) Clinton Winters, Southern Arkansas University (AR) Kacee McKinney, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)

The revolutionary 1920s brought about the introduction of the first “talkies” and set standards for genres such as the horror film, propelled the careers of physical comedians, and presented audiences with complex issues of race and gender. Cinema in the 20s evolved to pave the way for film’s Golden Age.

I-8. The Revelations of Mrs. Dalloway  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Oglethorpe A, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Deborah Reese, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA)
Chair: Emma Riehl (St. Norbert’s College)

Kyle Johnston, Westfield State University (MA): Redefining the Human in Mrs. Dalloway
Kristin Selby, Kansas State University (KS): Virginia Woolf’s Revelations of the Human Experience
Grace Guza, Armstrong Atlantic State University (GA): Success and Failure in Mrs. Dalloway
Katie Neipris, University of California, Los Angeles (CA): Amputated, Dismembered, and Decapitated, Oh My!

I-9. Faith & Doubt in 19th Century Literature  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Oglethorpe B, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Diane Scholl, Luther College (IA)
Chair: Jacob Hamm, Alma College (MI)

Taylor Heinrich, Pepperdine University (CA): Conflict of Faith and Doubt in Jane Eyre
Hannah Reese, Dominican University of California (CA): Great Expectations as an Allegorical Story of Eden
Ashley Reynolds, Saint Leo University (FL): The Devil in Angel Clare: Loss of Faith in Tess
Autumn Barnard, William Carey University (MS): Monsters and Mad Scientists: Man Versus Creator?
Concurrent Sessions

I-10. Roundtable: Language and Logic in Lewis B. Carroll’s *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland*  
**Saturday 11:00-12:15 Johnson, 2nd Floor**  
**Moderator:** Deborah Dessaso, Alumni Epsilon  
**Roundtable Participants:**  
Dianna Bellian, Barry University (FL)  
Enrique Alvarado, Barry University (FL)  
Yulia Nekrashevich, Barry University (FL)  
Lewis Carroll wrote, “If I had a world of my own, everything would be nonsense.” But what meanings are found amid the seemingly nonsensical? And why do *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking Glass* have such a prevailing influence on art and pop-culture today?

I-11. Utopias and Dystopias  
**Saturday 11:00-12:15 Forsyth, 2nd Floor**  
**Moderator:** AmiJo Comeford, Dixie State University (UT)  
**Chair:** Rebecca Holder, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg (MS)  
Erin Gowdy, University of Alabama in Huntsville (AL): Utopian Echoes in *A History of the World in 10 ½ Chapters*  
Peyton Moss, University of Alabama (AL): “I never have a light”: Manifold Darkness in *Malone Dies*  
Karla Seamons, Dixie State University (UT): *Lord of the Flies* and *The Hunger Games*: Dystopian Warnings  
Stanton Yeakley, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): Echoes of Orwell: Dystopian Themes in *The Wall*

I-12. Original Fiction: Imperfect Lives  
**Saturday 11:00-12:15 Franklin, 2nd Floor**  
**Moderator:** Peter Scholl, Luther College (IA)  
**Chair:** Dan Impeciati, Penn State Altoona (PA)  
Larry Boothe, University of Alabama (AL): Milk Money  
Cameron Oakley, Morningside College (IA): Perfection  
Garrett Faylor, Alumni Epsilon: The Way They Were  
Megan Duff, St. Norbert College (WI): The Midnight Caravan: An Excerpt

**Saturday 11:00-12:15 Savannah C, LL**  
**Moderator:** Kathy Nixon, American University of Kuwait (KU)  
**Roundtable Participants:**  
Reem Al Hasawi, American University of Kuwait (KU)  
Dina Al-Qassar, American University of Kuwait (KU)  
Farah Ali, American University of Kuwait (KU)  
Nusrat Jamil, American University of Kuwait (KU)  
This roundtable, composed of descendants of pearl divers, will discuss Kuwait’s sea-faring tradition. We will explain pearl diving and lead folks in singing *funun al-bahr* (sea music). Some audience members will don costumes and be serenaded. There will be time for questions about the music and culture of pearl diving.
Concurrent Sessions

I-14. Literary Potpourri: Southern Voices  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Savannah D, LL  
**Moderator:** Sidney Watson, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)  
**Chair:** Kayla Mugler, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)  
Marybeth Niederkorn, Southeast Missouri State University (MO): Demon Hawg  
Marley Stuart, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA): Hope  
Avery Wood, Collin College (TX): Because I Drew Him from the Water  
Koltin Thompson, Tennessee Wesleyan College (TN): Tennessee  
Ashley Lawrence, Southern Arkansas University (AR): Waiting Beneath the Surface

I-15. Roundtable: Like Our Rivers Our Land:  
Southern Literature  
Saturday 2:00-3:15  Academy, LL  
**Moderator:** Andy Crank, University of Alabama (AL)  
**Roundtable Participants:**  
Nadia Barksdale, University of Alabama (AL)  
Katherine Kosich, University of Alabama (AL)  
Joseph Gamble, University of Alabama (AL)  
Will Gillette, University of Alabama (AL)  
This panel will interrogate representations of class in Southern literature by following its history from its roots in Twain to contemporary poetry by Trethewey. This panel will illuminate the river’s presence as it pertains to class, especially poverty, in Southern literature by Faulkner, Chopin, O’Connor, Dickey, and others.

I-16. Nature and Literature  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Savannah A, LL  
**Moderator:** Gloria Hochstein, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI)  
**Chair:** Kade Ivy, Freed-Hardeman University (TN)  
Adam Breitenbach, University of Louisiana, Monroe (LA): The Monkey Wrench Gang and Radical Environmentalism  
Austin Schilling, Linfield College (OR): Fire-Lookout Literature as a Genre  
Rebecca Miller, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY): Nature and Multiplicity in The Story of an African Farm  
Libby Chernouski, University of Wisconsin-Parkside (WI): Reinventing an American Eden

I-17. Roundtable: The Changing Current of Romance in Young Adult Literature  
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Savannah B, LL  
**Moderator:** Nicole Sparling, Central Michigan University (MI)  
**Roundtable Participants:**  
Bethany Wohlfeil, Central Michigan University (MI)  
Amanda Shepard, Central Michigan University (MI)  
Riley Nisbet, Central Michigan University (MI)  
For the majority of its existence, young adult literature has in some way encompassed romantic relationships, mostly representative of the heterosexual community. Recently, with the greater presence of the LGBTQ community, young adult literature has shifted to be more encompassing of diverse relationships. This roundtable traces the current of romantic relationships in modern young adult literature, and how these relationships are represented within the genre.
Concurrent Sessions

I-18. Roundtable: Against the Current: Life-Changing Literature
Saturday 11:00-12:15  General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Leigh Ann Rhea, Calhoun Community College (AL)
Roundtable Participants:
Francisco Martinez, University of Wisconsin-Rock City (WI)
Kristin Massie, Jefferson State Community College (AL)
Stephen Sheffield, Calhoun Community College (AL)
Lanisse Soto, Plaza College (NY)
Roundtable participants will explain how a specific piece of literature has changed their lives, after which the moderator will engage audience members in a question-and-answer discussion of the participants’ selections as well as the audience members’ own choices.

Session J: Saturday, 1 March 2:00-3:15 p.m.

J-1. Roundtable: Third Wave Literature in the Second Wave South
Saturday 11:00-12:15  Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Sherri Craig, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Roundtable Participants:
Sherri Craig, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
George Dorrill, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Rebecca Murry, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Mary Mocsary, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Chris Genre, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
Justin Greer, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA)
This roundtable explores teaching LGBT transgendered literature in both high school and college in states that are part of the Bible Belt. We will also discuss backlash from communities over college courses, the transformative and grateful reaction of southern LGBT students, and ULL’s fight to keep an LGBT Studies minor.

J-2. Creative Nonfiction: Ports of Call, Part 2
Saturday 2:00-3:15  Mercer, LL
Moderator: Robert Crafton, Slippery Rock University (PA)
Chair: Betsy Blumenthal, The College of New Jersey (NJ)
Matthew Stokes, Louisiana Tech University (LA): To Attend a Kazakh Wedding: An American in China
Paul Hess, Rockhurst University (MO): The Visitor
Kayla Ketner, Union University (TN): The Missing Link
David Potsubay, Slippery Rock University (PA): Soul Searching in Spain
Concurrent Sessions

J-3. Original Fiction: Imaginative Fiction  
**Saturday 2:00-3:15 Plaza, LL**

**Moderator:** Dee Clere, Mount Olive College (NC)  
**Chair:** Dylan Moore, Franklin Pierce University (NH)

Nathanial Dibert, Penn State Altoona (PA): Würm: An Excerpt  
Donavan Swindall, University of Pikeville (KY): Fairy Tales  
Kimberly Connors, Mount Olive College (NC): True Beauty: A Fairy Tale  
Allison Puestow, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire (WI): Eye of the Mountain

J-4. Masculinity in American Literature  
**Saturday 2:00-3:15 Chatham, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Josh Connor, Alumni Epsilon  
**Chair:** Taylor Heinrich, Pepperdine University (CA)

Benjamin Rogers, Western Kentucky University (KY): Outcasts of the Universe: the Men of Hawthorne  
James Gilson, Kansas State University (KS): Continued Movement between Gothic Spaces in Typee  
Alexandra Jurus, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): "Great Radical Dualism": Androgyny as Self-Culture

J-5. Race, Class, and Language in the South  
**Saturday 2:00-3:15 Reynolds, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Rhonda Armstrong, Georgia Regents University (GA)  
**Chair:** Lauren Jaqua, Baker University (KS)

Kade Ivy, Freed-Hardeman University (TN): A God Complex in "Good Country People"  
Matthew Mahoney, Blue Mountain College (MS): McEachern's Attempt to Condition Joe Christmas  
Kristen Topping, Georgia Regents University (GA): The Consequences of a False Identity  
David Haydon, Western Kentucky University (KY): Edenic Allusion in The Sound and the Fury

J-6. Original Poetry: Writing Beyond the Endings  
**Saturday 2:00-3:15 Pulaski, 2nd Floor**

**Moderator:** Peter Scholl, Luther College (IA)  
**Chair:** Negesti Kaudo, Elon University (NC)

Brett Steelman, Luther College (IA): Eulogy  
Francesca Baratta, Alumni Epsilon: In Lieu of an Anniversary  
Maggie Myers, Stephens College (MO): A Year  
August Orlow, Central Michigan University (MI): Fighting Flight: War, Death, and the Rest is History  
Katelyn Cross, University of Kentucky (KY): Nature, Roundabout

J-7. Caught in the River Current  
**Saturday 2:00-3:15 Suite 404, 4th Floor**

**Moderator:** Kaine Ezell, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK)  
**Chair:** Lindsey Gilbert, University of Indianapolis (IN)

Sarah Copeland, Alumni Epsilon: Hybrid Ancestry in "John Redding Goes to Sea"  
James Hastings, Flagler College (FL): Confronting the River in Faulkner's As I Lay Dying  
Evan Hrobak, Saint Vincent College (PA): Agentless Absurdity in Invisible Man  
Bethany Jackson, Oklahoma Baptist University (OK): The Problem of Spirituals in Richard Wright’s Native Son
Concurrent Sessions

J-8. Rising Currents at the End of the 18th Century  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Oglethorpe A, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Rebecca Belcher-Rankin, Olivet Nazarene University (IL)
Chair: David Hester, College of Charleston (SC)
Kathleen Duffy, Saint Leo University (FL): Patriarchy: An Enemy to "Rational Women"
Alaina Patterson, Alumni Epsilon: Two Literary Eras in The Mysteries of Udolpho
Colin Loeffler, North Central College (IL): Questioning Thady's (Un)Reliability in Castle Rackrent
David Modica, Olivet Nazarene University (IL): Sex in William Blake’s “The Chimney Sweeper”

J-9. Pop Culture  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Oglethorpe B, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Christina Heckman, Georgia Regents University (GA)
Chair: Monica Krason, Franciscan University of Steubenville (OH)
Samantha Watt, Gordon State College (GA): Looking Underneath the Underneath Through Time
Jennifer Hewerdine, Southern Illinois University (IL): Rise of the Female Superhero
Kayla Wirtz, Georgia Regents University (GA): Literary and Pop-Culture Savior Martyrs
Patrick White, Hastings College (NE): Batman: The Mask Behind the Man
Ashleigh Davenport, Georgia Gwinnett College (GA): Women’s Visibility in the Music Industry

J-10. The Bronte Sisters  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Johnson, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Diane Scholl, Luther College (IA)
Chair: Rachel Landers, University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL)
Charles Carter, Oklahoma Christian University (OK): The Artistic Subjectivity of Jane Eyre
Aubrey McElmeel, Luther College (IA): Fire and Ice, Rationality and Passion in Jane Eyre
Emily Traylor, Louisiana Tech University (LA): Masculine Reform in The Tenant of Wildfell Hall
Alana Crump, Louisiana Tech University (LA): Anne Brontë’s Dichotomous Woman

J-11. Original Fiction: River Crossings  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Forsyth, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Michel Aaij, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL)
Chair: Sara Labor, Chadron State College (NE)
Marie Cyprien, Pace University, New York Campus (NY): Global Citizen
Melanie Berry, University of Montevallo (AL): Another Wide River to Cross
Antonio Byrd, Auburn University, Montgomery (AL): Aches for Distant Places
Debra Logan, University of Alabama (AL): SOS

J-12. Roundtable: Queer Identities through the Ages  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Franklin, 2nd Floor
Moderator: Andy Crank, University of Alabama (AL)
Roundtable Participants:
Kaylyn Johnson, University of Alabama (AL)
Tyler Chestnut, University of Alabama (AL) Everett Secor, University of Alabama (AL)
This roundtable aims to explore the multitude of ways in which LGBTQ+ identities are identified and interpreted in literature over time, especially in the West. Participants will engage in a discussion ranging from renaissance drama all the way up to modern texts and graphic novels.
Concurrent Sessions

J-13. Creative Nonfiction: Navigating the River Bend  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Savannah C, LL
Moderator: Michelle Smith, Marist College (NY)
Chair: Stephanie Laszik, University of Texas at Tyler (TX)
Courtney Dunn, Bloomsburg University (PA): Tired Eyes
Rachel Karach, Marist College (NY): Fifteen and Learning to Walk
Leah Butterwick, Marist College (NY): June 13, 2006
Allisandra Ward, University of Pikeville (KY): The Kickback
Laura Barfield, Thomas More College (KY): Heaven in Paris

J-14. Roundtable: Marketing: If a book is good, but no one knows, does it sell?  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Savannah D, LL
Moderator: Traci Thomas-Card, Alumni Epsilon
Roundtable Participants:
Caitlin Bittner, Alumni Epsilon
Greta Schultz, Alumni Epsilon
Michael Thies, Alumni Epsilon

The complex world of marketing can be too much to handle at times. That is why we are here, to give you an idea of the complexities and intricacies that are marketing. We will explore what all want-to-be authors need to do and the things they can do to get a jump start on making their novels bestsellers.

J-15. Explorations in Form and Meaning in 20th Century Literature  Saturday  2:00-3:15  Savannah E, LL
Moderator: Andrea Ivanov-Craig, Azusa Pacific University (CA)
Chair: Sarah Lawson, SUNY, College at Geneseo (NY)
Caitlin Smith, University of North Texas (TX): O For Your Footfall: Form, Space, and Ambiguity
Maria-Josee Mendez, McNeese State University (LA): The Thunderbolt Awakening in Works by Sylvia Plath
Chelsey Marshall, Louisiana Tech University (LA): 'Other' Fairytales: Angela Carter's The Bloody Chamber
Anatha Latshaw, Texas Tech University (TX): Tense, Person, and Participation in Fuentes’s Aura

J-16. Roundtable: New Technology: Catalyst of Creativity or Facilitator of Fixation  Saturday  2:00-3:15  General McIntosh, LL
Moderator: Beth DeMeo, Alvernia University (PA)
Roundtable Participants:
Andrew Kaucher, Alvernia University (PA)
Jessica Newcomer, Alvernia University (PA)
Melisa Keinard, Alvernia University (PA)
William Grigas, Alvernia University (PA)
Thomas Leupold, Alvernia University (PA)

Is it better to stay inside and bounce ideas around on Facebook and search on Tumblr for inspiration, or go out into nature and draw from experience? This roundtable will discuss how technology has both aided the creative process and become a deterrent from drawing inspiration.
J-17. Roundtable: We the Animals and American Multicultural Saturday Literature  
Saturday 2:00-3:15  Savannah A, LL 
Moderator: Christine Hait, Columbia College (SC) 
Roundtable Participants:  
Christine Hait, Columbia College (SC) 
Brittany Doyle, Columbia College SC) 
Samantha Waldrop, Columbia College (SC) 
Jasmine Howze, Columbia College (SC) 
Emma Condrey, Columbia College (SC) 
At Columbia College, in Eng. 375, We the Animals initiated a semester-long exploration of American multicultural literature, including a study of assimilation and acculturation; generational conflict; marginalization and dehumanization; language, art, and identity; and the “double consciousness” of the “hyphenated” American experience. Students will lead discussion and share resources.

J-18. Roundtable: Understanding Diversity in Literacy  
Saturday 2:00-3:15  Savannah B, LL 
Moderator: Shannin Schroeder, Southern Arkansas University (AR) 
Roundtable Participants:  
Ruth Stamper, Missouri Southern State University, Joplin (MO) 
Mike Pacini, Central Michigan University (MI) 
Timothy Leonard, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IN) 
Sherri Craig, Southeastern Louisiana University (LA) 
This roundtable will present information to show how individuals with disabilities are being represented in higher education. The panel will define and illustrate the wide range of disabilities, along with the difficulties an individual with a disability has to overcome in higher education. We intend to engage the audience in the discussion, resulting in increased understanding and suggestions to help their institutions improve diversity in literacy.