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OPEN AREAS:

Latin American Popular Culture
Middle Eastern Popular Culture

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Wednesday 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Sterling 3.
Pre-Conference Workshop on Publishing

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Pre-Conference Beer Culture Tour of St. Louis

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 a.m. Regency A.
Registration

Thursday 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Regency A.
Registration

Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Regency A.
Book Exhibits

Thursday 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

1101
Thursday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 1

Topics in Animation and Anime
Animation

“Rated Q for Queer: Steven Universe, The Legend of Korra and the Evolution of Queer Reading,” Jake Pitre, Carleton University, jakeadampitre@gmail.com

“Gaining An Understanding About Post-War Society and Culture in Japan Navigated Through The Lens of Akira,” Jules Patalita, Ball State University, jmpatalita@bsu.edu

Panel Chair:

1102
Thursday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 2

Our Celebrities, Ourselves: Understanding Authenticity, Accessibility and Celebrity
Celebrity and Stardom

- “Revealing the Authentic Self: Victorian Celebrity Interviews,” Lewis Hughes, Lancaster University, lhughes2@lancaster.ac.uk
“Here’s to Not Being Fake!”: Andy Cohen as the Louis B. Mayer of Reality TV,” Alexandra Newman, Art History, UWMadison, newmanal12@gmail.com
“Keeping Up With Kim Kardashian’s Privacy Boundaries: a Study of Communication Privacy Management and Celebrity,” Ariel Fink, The University of Alabama, adfink@crimson.ua.edu
“Dear Taylor: Haters Gonna Hate and One Swiftie Examines Why,” Leah Dajches, Indiana University, LDajches@iu.edu

Panel Chair: Alexandra Newman

1103
Thursday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 4

Identity and Politics in Contemporary TV and Music
Contemporary Studies

- “Identity Fantasy and Complication in the Performances of Migos and Kendrick Lamar,” Thomas Cherry, University of Cincinnati, cherryts@mail.uc.edu
“Nostalgia Politics: *Westworld* and Strategies of the Real,” Emma Levy, INSTITUTION NEEDED, emmalevy30@gmail.com
“Creativity and Building Fictional Universes,” Jason Phillips, Ball State University, jphillips5@bsu.edu
“*All in the Family*: Negotiations of Family and Identity-Formation in Anthony Bourdain’s *Bone in the Throat*,” Megan Kwong, San Francisco State University, mwkwong@mail.sfsu.edu

Panel Chair: Thomas Cherry

1104

Thursday, 9:00-10:30

Sterling 5

Constructing Families: Pop Culture and the Making of a “Family”
Family

“Absence Makes the Heart Grow Stronger: Absent Parents in Children’s, Young Adult, and Adult Fiction,” Laura Mohsene, Richland College, lmohsene@gmail.com

“Bruce Bechdel’s “Happy Death” in Fun Home,” Matthew Mitchell, Hiram College, mitchellmd@hiram.edu

“You Call Me DADDY”See?”: Daddy Warbucks, Daddy Browning, and the Aging Male Father Figure,” Stella Ress, Department of History, University of Southern Indiana, sress@usi.edu

Panel Chair: Stella Ress

1105

Thursday, 9:00-10:30

Sterling 6

Labor, Work, and Culture

Labor, Work, and Culture

“Of Wage and Salary,” Dibakar Pal, University of Calcutta, India, dibakarpal786@gmail.com

“Traveling for Work: 19th Century Whaling Around the Globe”, Jean Harper, Indiana University East. jcharper@iue.edu

Panel Chair:

1106
Thursday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 7

Anxiety of Othering
Race and Ethnicity

- “‘You Knew all of this. All along.’: Race and Biopower in *Black Mirror*,” Diana Leon-Boys,
University of Illinois, dleon6@illinois.edu
- “Carnavalesque Identity as Mediation in Santa Clarita’s Diet “Reproduction of the Hierarchy of
the Self and the Other in the Moment of Parodic Laughter,” Jelena Jelusic,
Radio/Television/Film Department, Northwestern University,
jelenajelusic2020@u.northwestern.edu
- “Miles Morales, un Spider-Man Como Yo: A Meditation on Racial Identity in Comic Books,” Joe
Cruz, College of Communications, Pennsylvania State University, jxc909@psu.edu

Panel Chair: Jessica Birch, jessicaelizabethbirch@gmail.com

1107
Thursday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 8

Nineteenth-Century Popular Culture
Nineteenth-Century Popular Culture

- “Victorian Puzzle Addiction: ‘The Final Problem’ as a Mathematical Puzzle,” Brittany Carlson,
University of California, Riverside, bcarl005@ucr.edu
- “Paddy on Stage: Whiteface and the Making of Irish Whiteness in the Gilded Age,” Madeline
Fanton, California State University, Northridge, madeline.fanton@gmail.com

Panel Chair::

Thursday 10:45 – 12:15 p.m.

1201

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 1

Contemporary Cultural Conflicts and Pedagogy
Pedagogy and Popular Culture

“Not Your Mother’s Meatloaf: An Inclusive Sex Education Resource,” Mary Morrissey,
Simmons College, morrissey.marye@gmail.com

“Conflicted Spaces: Trump’s America, the Internet, and Writing Classrooms,” Megan Paslawski,
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1202

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 2

Hashtags, Crowdsourcing, and the Appropriation of Fan Movements in Professional Wrestling
Wrestling Studies

“We can rebuild him: Fan funding health care for professional wrestling performers,” Mario
Alonzo Dozal, Manchester University, madozal@unm.edu

“When will WWE #GiveDivasAChance? The Role of Twitter in the WWE Diva’s Revolution,”
Rebecca Steiner, Communication Studies, University of Georgia, becca.steiner@uga.edu

“The “Yes” Movement: Professional Wrestling and Capitalist Appropriation,” Eric Kennedy,
English, Louisiana State University, ekenn17@lsu.edu

Panel Chair: CarrieLynn D. Reinhard, Dominican University, creinhard@dom.edu

1203

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 4

Additions and Silences: Sound and Film
Adaptations

“We Don’t Need to Hear It”? Melinda’s Voice in Jessica Sharzer’s Film Adaptation of Speak,”

Domenique Bernett, Kansas State University, dnbernett@ksu.edu

“Legion, Avoiding Grime to Add ‘Reality’ to Comic Book Adaptations.,” Jose Intriagou Suarez,

Wichita State University, jintria@yahoo.com

“Silent Adaptations: Moving from Text to Screen in the Early Silent Film Era,” Heather Duda,

University of Rio Grande , hduda@rio.edu

Panel Chair:

1204

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 5

The Woman Visualized
Art History and Visual Culture

“The Lavender Menace Makes: Lesbian Art in the Feminist Movement,” Rachel Trusty, Fine
Arts, University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton, ratrusty@hotmail.com

“If the Shoe Fits: A Visual Investigation of Cinderella’s Slipper,” Katie Schwartz, English
Department, Southeast Missouri State University, kjschwartz2@gmail.com

“The Evolution of the Form of Mass Printed Puzzles in Victorian Print Culture,” Brittany
Carlson, University of California, Riverside, bcarl005@ucr.edu

Panel Chair:

1205

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 6

Harry Potter Studies #1

Harry Potter Studies

- “You’re a Wizard, Harry?: A Comparative Analysis of Harry Potter and Early Modern Wizardry,” Sarah Lewin, Mississippi State University, sel185@msstate.edu
“More than a Spoiled Brat: Reevaluating Draco Malfoy as an Anti-Sidekick in Harry Potter,” Erica Salmonson, Western Illinois University, el-salmonson@wiu.edu
“The Deathly Hallows: A Study of the Sacred in a Culture of Disposability,” Jennifer Cizl-Gorgeny, English, Texas State University, jcizl@kent.edu

Panel Chair::

1206

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 7

Identity, Analysis, and Expression

Race and Ethnicity

- “The White Woman as “Dystopian Eve”,” Joshua Adams, INSTITUTION NEEDED, joshuacad22@gmail.com
“Novel Perspectives on the Construction of Ethnicity and Identity in Narratives by Selected Minority Writers,” Ihab Freiz, INSTITUTION NEEDED, ihabfreiz@yahoo.com
“Are You Telling Me to Get Out?” Lynching as a Limit to Racial Expression,” Jennifer Ryan-Bryant, Buffalo State University, ryanjd@buffalostate.edu

Panel Chair: Jessica Birch, jessicaelizabethbirch@gmail.com

1207

Thursday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 8

Indian Art in a Global World

Indian Popular Culture

“Bahubali The Conclusion and the Future of Indian Film,” Margaret Redlich, DePaul University, mredlich21@gmail.com

“Bollywood’s Leading Ladies: Feminist Representations through a Patriarchal Lens,” Pratiksha Menon, The University of Illinois at Chicago, pmenon3@uic.edu

“New Bollywood’s “Hindie’: Status of independent cinema in the contemporary Hindi Film Industry of India,” AMRITA GOSWAMI, INSTITUTION NEEDED, amrigos@gmail.com

“Shakespeare in Cinema: A Study of Filmic Emotion in Omkara Applying “Mood-Cue Approach’,” Prabal Das Gupta, Dept. of English, East Delta University, prabal.bracu@gmail.com

“Continuity and Change: Traditional Textiles and Folk Music of Gujarat and Rajasthan, India,” Cindy Gould, Iowa State University, cgould@iastate.edu

Panel Chair:

Thursday 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

1401

Thursday, 1:00-2:30

Sterling 1

Pedagogical Approaches and Rationales

Pedagogy and Popular Culture

“Empathy in Popular Culture Pedagogy,” Laurence Raw, Baskent University, l_rawjalaurance@yahoo.com

“Will the Revolution Be Televised? The Crucial Role of Television in the Liberal Arts Classroom,” Jennifer Forsberg, Clemson University, jforsbe@clemson.edu

“Just because you show movies doesn’t mean you’re teaching: Making pop culture pedagogical in your practice,” Chad Timm, Simpson College, chad.timm@simpson.edu

“Would You Kindly...” Using Video Games VS Game Design in the Classroom,” Scott McMullin, INSTITUTION NEEDED, scottgmcmullin@gmail.com

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1402

Thursday, 1:00-2:30

Sterling 2

Performance and Play in Professional Wrestling
Wrestling Studies

“Wrestling with God: Religion and the WWE,” Lowery Woodall, Millersville University,
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“Epic Choreographies of Spectacular Proportion: Ricki Starr the Ballet-Dancing Wrestler’s
Queer Performance of Gender,” Laura Katz Rizzo, Temple University,
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“Wrestling as Performance Art: Blading, Violence, & “(disem)bodyslam”,” Brooks Oglesby,
University of South Florida, oglesby@mail.usf.edu

“For Mother Russia! And for my fans! Ultimate! Atomic! Buster!”: Capcom’s Street Fighter Video
Games as Convergence of Cultures through International Wrestling Styles,” Justin
Wigard, Central Michigan University, wigar1jm@cmich.edu

Panel Chair: Christopher Olson, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, chrstphrolson@gmail.com

1403

Thursday, 1:00-2:30

Sterling 4

American Backstory and History
Adaptations

“[C]hurlishly reject[ing] his company”: American Masculinity and the Exclusion of David Gamut
in *The Last of the Mohicans* (1992),” Eric Wentz, Indiana University of Pennsylvania,
emwentz@gmail.com

“Reflections on Genocide in Stanley Kubrick’s *The Shining*,” Dustin Freeley, INSTITUTION
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“The Genius of Genre and the Unknowing Audience: *Mean Streets* (1973) and Film Quotation,”
Eleni Palis, University of Pennsylvania, epalis@sas.upenn.edu

Panel Chair:

1404
Thursday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 5

Gender and Place
Video Games

- “Loneliness, Unification, The Medium of Video Games, and Everybody’s Gone to the Rapture,”
Jenny Platz, University of Rhode Island, jennplatz1955@gmail.com
“The “Legend” of Zelda: Exploring Myth, History, and Gender in Nintendo’s Most Beloved
Series,” September Hinkle, Southeast Missouri State University, slhinkle1s@gmail.com
“Hope for the Future: An Analysis of Overwatch Director’s 2017 DICE Keynote,” Andre
Adame, Asian American Resource and Cultural Center, University of Illinois at Chicago,
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Panel Chair: Pam Wicks, Aurora University, pwicks22@gmail.com

1405
Thursday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 6

Harry Potter Studies #2
Harry Potter Studies

- “Moving From Multiculturalism to Antiracism: Harry Potter, The Harry Potter Alliance, and
Black Lives Matter,” Jaime DeTour, Kansas State University, jdetour@ksu.edu
“Harry Potter and the Transmediality of Artistic Expression,” Caitlin Boyle, University of British
Columbia, cateboyle@gmail.com
“Imagine Better”: How Multimodal Fan Interactions with Harry Potter Can Develop Critical
Literacy and Encourage Political and Civic Activism Among Young People,” Parinita
Shetty, University of Glasgow, 2236299S@student.gla.ac.uk

Panel Chair:

1406

Thursday, 1:00-2:30

Sterling 7

Politics of Race and Representation

Race and Ethnicity

“The Commodification of Racialized Anxiety,” Ariel Nash, Independent Scholar,
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“Becky with the Twitter: Lemonade, Social Media, and Embodied Researcher Fandom,”
Stephanie Patrick, University of Ottawa, spatr045@uottawa.ca

“Hillary Voters Are a Little Less Racist than Trump Voters; or, the Racism of White Liberals in
Meme,” Jessica Birch, Ethnic Studies/Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Bowling
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Panel Chair: Jessica Birch

1407

Thursday, 1:00-2:30

Sterling 8

I am a Midwesterner

Midwestern Culture

“First in Friendship, Fourth in Obesity: A Fantasy Theme Analysis of Midwestern Identity in
Parks and Recreation,” Amy Crawford, Youngstown State University, agcrawford@ysu.edu

“You Can Find Me on Instagram: Finding My Embodied Self in The Visual Representations of
Chicago,” Leslie Rossman, Humboldt State University, Leslie.Rossman@humboldt.edu

“A Proto-theory for Understanding and Appreciating American Midwestern Public Address,”
Barry Poyner, Truman State University, bpoyner@truman.edu

“I Have a Farm to Run: Climate Change Discourse in the Midwest,” Armeda Reitzel, Humboldt
State University, acr1@humboldt.edu; Michael Bruner, Humboldt State University,
msb25@humboldt.edu

Panel Chair:

Thursday 2:45 – 4:15 p.m.

1501

Thursday 2:45-4:15

Sterling 1

Gender and Family Life

Gender Studies

“The “Un-motherly”: The Act of Filicide in Contemporary American Crime Fiction Novels,”

Sanchali Sarkar, INSTITUTION NEEDED, sanchali.27@gmail.com

“Post-Apocalyptic Television and Post-Feminist Fatherhood in *The Walking Dead* and *The*

Leftovers,” Brenda Boudreau, McKendree University, bboudreau@mckendree.edu

“Cross-Cultural Gender Representations: The “Ideal” Parent in China, Sweden, and the United States,” Kathy Tian, University of Illinois, kathyt2@illinois.edu

Panel Chair:

1502

Thursday 2:45-4:15

Sterling 2

Film: 1

Film

““Like Writing History with Lightning”: The Psychology of *Birth of a Nation* and the Re-Imaging White Supremacy,” Chris Newman, The Ohio State University, newman.251@osu.edu

“The Wicked, the Privileged, and the Greedy: Genre Film as Resistance to Greed Capitalism.,” Joshua Borgmann, Southwestern Community College, borgmann@swcciova.edu

“Exceptional Spaces: Pop-cultural Debris and the Spatial (Re)Construction of American Exceptionalism in Alfonso Cuarón’s *Gravity*,” Steffen Woell, Universität Leipzig, steffen.woell@uni-leipzig.de

“Traversing Histories: Trans* Masculinities in *Becoming Chaz*,” Jonathan Devine, Department of French and Italian, University of Pittsburgh, jmd217@pitt.edu

Panel Chair: Lori Parks

1503
Thursday 2:45-4:15
Sterling 4

Texts and Context
Adaptations

- “Gudia Ghar: A Cultural Adaptation of Ibsen’s A Doll’s House,” Shuchi Sharma, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, shuchi.sharma@ipu.ac.in
“Remapping the Atlas Myth: Adaptation in Jeanette Winterson’s *Weight* (2005),” Ann Torrusio, Pierre Laclède Honors College, University of Missouri - St. Louis, torrusioa@umsl.edu
“Kitty Winter’s Revenge in *Elementary*,” Annette Wren, Texas Christian University, annette.e.wren@tcu.edu

Panel Chair:

1504
Thursday 2:45-4:15
Sterling 5

Disability in Mainstream Media
Disability and Popular Culture

- “The Blame Frame: Representations of Mental Illness in Mainstream News Accounts of U.S. School Shootings,” Anna Swartz, Michigan Technological University, akswartz@mtu.edu
“#ShareYour(F)ears: Media, Democracy, and the Dream of a Participatory Public Sphere,” Kaitlyn Wauthier, Bowling Green State University, kewauth@bgsu.edu

Panel Chair:

1505
Thursday 2:45-4:15
Sterling 6

Harry Potter Studies #3
Harry Potter Studies

- “They Weren’t Wrong: How Harry Potter Led to Me Practicing Witchcraft,” Caroline DeBruhl, Texas State University, cdebruhl@gmail.com
- “Expecto Production!”: Creativity and Creation in *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*,” Cora Jaeger, English, Kansas State University, cmjaeger@ksu.edu
- “Harry Potter and the Spectrum of Motherhood: Maternal Power and Feminine Strength in the Battle against the Dark Lord,” Brittany Roberts, Kansas State University, brittroberts12@gmail.com
- “Murder in a Time of War: Harry’s Moral Development and Faith in Justice in J.K. Rowling’s Harry Potter Series,” Jamie Teixeira, Kansas State University, jamtex@ksu.edu
- “Insert Witty Caption Here: Memes as Catalysts for the Evolution of the Harry Potter Canon and Fandom,” Kirsten Dillender, Western Illinois University, kn-dillender@wiu.edu

Panel Chair:

1506
Thursday 2:45-4:15
Sterling 7

13RW: Harming or Helping?
Youth Literature and Media

- “Problematic Depictions of Rape in Thirteen Reasons Why,” Mallory Unsell, University of Central Oklahoma, mallory.unsell@gmail.com
- “Thirteen Reasons Why and The Young Adult Experience,” Hannah Miller, University of Central Oklahoma, hmill12@uco.edu
- “Suicide Glorified in Thirteen Reasons Why,” Troy Stanberry, University of Central Oklahoma, troystanberry@mooreschools.com
- “Thirteen Reasons Why: Dealing with Mental Illness in YA Culture,” Rhonda Hartman, University of Central Oklahoma, rhondahartman@live.com,

Panel Chair: Rhonda Hartman

1507
Thursday 2:45-4:15
Sterling 8

Black Girl Magic on the Mothership and beyond: The implications of an Afrofuturistic Paradigm
African-American Popular Culture

- “Invisible Labor & Black Girl Magic,” Amber Johnson
“Parliment Funkadelic, Afrofuturism and the Rhetoric of the Mothership,” Carlos Morrison,
Alabama State University, cdmorrison@alasu.edu
“Afrofuturism, Dark Speculative Futurity and the Rise of Neo-Nationalism,” Reynaldo
Anderson
“Forged of Fire and Iron: Conceptualizing Afrofuturism in August Wilson’s Joe Turner’s Come
and Gone and Tarell Alvin McCraney’s,” Gregory Carr

Panel Chair:

Thursday 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

1601
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 1

Gendering Violence
Gender Studies

- “Girls with Guns: The Faux Feminism of the Modern Cop Drama,” Deborah Scally,
INSTITUTION NEEDED, sensei0918@yahoo.com
“I’m Not a Key “I’m just me*” - Women as Objects for Male Consumption in HBO’s
Westworld,” Dayna Brownfield, Independent Scholar, brownfieldde@gmail.com
“Hassani Social Tradition: Denouncing Violence Against Women,” Slimane Douih, Sidi
Mohamed Ben Abdellah University, douihslimane@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

1602
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 2

Popular Culture Round Up 1: Bodies at Work
Popular Culture Round Up

- “Dressing Like a Grown Man,” Guy Cunningham, Grand View University,
gcunningham@grandview.edu
- “The Plus Size Ad Trend Makes Little Difference When It Comes to Body Shaming in Social
Media,” Katherine Pine, Indiana State University, katherine.pine@indstate.edu
- “It’s Not Over Until the Fat Lady Sings: A Comparative Analysis of Three Productions of
Puccini’s Turandot,” Charissa Paschke, Webster University, charissa-34@sbcglobal.net
- “Um, How Will the Audience *See* That?": Advice on Audiodrama For Scriptwriters,” Kathy
Brady, American Studies, University of Maryland, bradyk@uww.edu; Will Anderson
Professor, Central Michigan University, ander1ww@cmich.edu

Panel Chair: Kathy Brady

1603
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 4

Application of Persuasion in American Advertising
Advertising and Public Relations

- “Cross-Cultural Advertising: Holistic Versus Analytical Perceptions of Advertising Clutter,”
Kathy Tian, University of Illinois, kathyt2@illinois.edu
- “The Mighty Princess: Cause Branding and Discourses of a Modern Empire,” Laura Seroka,
Bowling Green State University, serokal@bgsu.edu
- “Understanding the American Appetite for Material Goods: Is it a Result of Advertising or the
Antecedent?,” John Kerans, St. Louis Community College at Meramec,
johnkerans@yahoo.com
- “Influence of Midwestern Heroes in DOS EQUIS’ “Most interesting Man in the World’
Advertising Campaign”, Patrick Karle, New York Institute of Technology,
pkarle@nyit.edu

Panel Chair: Patrick Karle

1604
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 5

Film: 2
Film

“Spielberg and Lucas: Exploring the Definitive Creative Collaboration in Modern Cinema,” Max Romanowski, Baylor University, maxromanowski@me.com
Developing Paradise: Imperialist Assumptions in the Production of *‘Lilo & Stitch’*,” Rachel Bonini, American Studies, Purdue University, rbonini@purdue.edu
“Revenge, Recovery, and Vietnam War Revisionism in the 1980s,” Marc Diefenderfer, Purdue University, mdiefend@purdue.edu
“London Has Fallen” and the Imagination of Terrorism,” Ryan Pumroy, Northern Illinois University, ryanpumroy@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Lori Parks

1605
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 6

Music I
Music

“Music, Language, Ethics, and Death Metal,” Jose Manuel Gonzalez Izquierdo, Masters in Administrative Studies, Missouri State University, jg1848@live.missouristate.edu
“Chicago Soul: The Second City of Urban U.S. Music,” Bijan Bayne, Independent Scholar, bijanc@hotmail.com
“It Was Amazing to Be There to Witness It”: Affect and Fan Reactions to Rufus Wainwright’s *All Days Are Nights: Songs for Lulu Live Tour*,” Stephanie Salerno, CCPA Enrollment and Student Services, Roosevelt University, Chicago College of Performing Arts, salernos@ gmail.com

Panel Chair:

1606
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 7

Popular History For Children
Youth Literature and Media

“Selling Girlhoods Past: History and American Girl Dolls,” Victoria Herrera, Saint Louis University, herrerava@slu.edu

“*Dear America* and War Literature for Children,” Anna Sweemer, Saint Louis University, sweemerap@slu.edu

“WeStories and Citizenship,” Susan Nichols, Saint Louis University, snicho11@slu.edu

Panel Chair: Dr. Ben Looker, Saint Louis University, blooker@slu.edu

1607
Thursday, 4:30-6:00
Sterling 8

African-American Popular Culture #2
African-American Popular Culture

“Reclaiming a Cultural Icon: The Search for the Real John Henry in Colson Whitehead’s *John Henry Days*,” Laura Dawkins, Murray State University, ldawkins@murraystate.edu

“Can One Get Out?: Black Horror Movies and Developing a Woke Aesthetics,” Ryan Poll, Northeastern Illinois University, r-poll@neiu.edu

Panel Chair::

Game Night
Thursday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.

Registration

Regency A.

Friday 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Registration

Regency A.

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Book Exhibits

Regency A.

Friday 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

2101

Friday, 9:00-10:30

Sterling 1

13 Reasons Why: The Intended Audience Responds
Television

“The Act of Publicizing in *13 Reasons Why* and the Dangers in Debunking Experiences of Suicide,” Katie Lakusta, Lindenwood University-Belleville, kl079@lionmail.lindenwood.edu

“*13 Reasons Why* and the Problems with Socially-Constructed Profiles in Media,” Bessie Flores Zaldívar, Lindenwood University-Belleville, bf131@lionmail.lindenwood.edu

“From Silence to Shouting: Adaptation, Audience, and *Thirteen / 13 Reasons Why*,” Mikkaila Poulin, Lindenwood University-Belleville, mrp488@lionmail.lindenwood.edu

“Will Classroom and Campus Challenges “tear us apart [again]”? What *13 Reasons Why* Offers Faculty, and Why It Matters,”

Respondent: Megan M. Peabody, Lindenwood University-Belleville, mpeabody@lindenwood.edu

Panel Chair: Megan M. Peabody

2102
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 2

Institutional and Communal Enforcement of Gender Norms
Gender Studies

- “To Make a Heaven of Hell: The Duality of Space for Wallace Thurman and His Protagonist Emma Lou in the Novel *the Blacker the Berry*,” Shanice Lyons, INSTITUTION NEEDED, sdlyons1908@gmail.com
- “All in Good Fun? The Emasculating Rituals of MLB Players,” Allison Levin, Webster University, allison.levin@gmail.com
- “The Satire in Dryden’s “*Mac Flecknoe*”, the Savagery of Tupac’s “*Hit “Em Up*”: Art and Male Confrontation,” Jose Intriago, Wichita State University, jintria@yahoo.com
- “Representations of Women in the White House: An Early Case Study,” Kathleen Kollman, Bowling Green State University, kkollma@bgsu.edu

Panel Chair:

2103
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 4

Music II
Music

- “Stand and Deliver, Give ‘Em Everything You’ve Got,”: The Legacy of Fanny,” John Chappell, Webster University, chappejo@webster.edu
- “Please Stop Using Our Music in Any Way”: A Close(r) Listen to the Many Songs American Politicians Have Used without Permission,” Josh Sopiartz, University Library, Governors State University, jsopiartz@govst.edu
- “Is Brilliant Appropriation a Contradiction? On Gillian Welch and Pastiche,” Joshua Friedberg, INSTITUTION NEEDED, joshua.d.friedberg@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

2104
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 5

Disability in Literature, Television, and Video Games
Disability and Popular Culture

- “Teaching Disability Through Katherine Dunn’s *Geek Love*,” Jessica Williams, SUNY Old Westbury, williamsjl@oldwestbury.edu
“Nose without Heart: Ethical Implications of Reconstructive Surgery in Richard Selzer’s “The Sympathetic Nose”,” Gudrun Grabher, Department of American Studies, University of Innsbruck, gudrun.m.grabher@uibk.ac.at
“The “Sexy and Scary” Routine”: Ghouls, Sexuality, and Disability in the Fallout Video Games,” Danielle Hart, Department of English, Miami University in Oxford, hartdm2@miamioh.edu

Panel Chair:

2105
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 6

Anti-Heroes. Flawed Heroes. Super Heroes.
Heroes in Popular Culture

- “Rise of the Female Anti-hero,” Torey Stevens, English, Three Rivers College, tstevens@trcc.edu
“Fear nothing from me, Isaac...I come as Your Friend”: The Hero of *Ivanhoe* and Scott’s Answer to Anti-Semitism,” Jared Powell, The University of Alabama, [qcc.cuny.edu](mailto:jnpowell3@crimson.ua.edu), jnpowell3@crimson.ua.edu
“Ancient Myth and Modern Heroes and Heroines,” Helmut Loeffler, Queensborough Community College, hloeffler@qcc.cuny.edu
“Traditional Plot, Modern Plot, and Lucha Libre in Junot Diaz’s “*Ysrael*,”” Jacob Moore, Texas State University, jwm131@txstate.edu
“(Gendered) Lessons from the Field: The Representation of Athletic Masculinity and Femininity in Japanese Comic Books and Animated Series,” Thomas Cherry, University of Cincinnati, cherryts@mail.uc.edu

Panel Chair: Torey Stevens

2106
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 7

Queerness, Race and Temporalities
Queer Studies

- “Black or Queer, Not Both: A Critique of Popular Representations of Queerness in Atlanta,”
Alex Edelstein, UC San Diego, aedelste@ucsd.edu
- “The Remarkable Temporality of the Impact of HIV/AIDS on Western Popular Culture,” Bruce
Drushel, Miami University - Ohio, drushebe@miamioh.edu
- “Palaces for Boys Like Me”: The Body of the Body in James Baldwin’s Giovanni’s Room,”
Shelby Roberts, The University of Virginia’s College at Wise scr9n@uvawise.edu
- “From Fun Home to Bitch Planet: Queering Space in the Age of Trump,” Kathryn Hudson,
Northeastern Illinois University, kathudson91@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

2107
Friday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 8

Framing Political Messages
Politics

- “Problem Definition and Causal Attribution During the Republican National Convention: How
#MAGA Discourse on Twitter Framed America’s Problems and the People
Responsible,” Lauren Potts, Purdue University, potts16@purdue.edu
- “Don’t Be Bamboozled.” - Assessing Second-Level Agenda Setting Effects on Political Support
of Obamacare and the Affordable Care Act on Twitter.,” Sarah El-Azab, Purdue
University, elazab@purdue.edu

Panel Chair:

Friday 10:45– 12:15 p.m.

2201

Friday, 10:45-12:15politics

Sterling 1

Masculinity and Femininity on TV
Television

“The Feminist Superhero; An Exploration of TV’s *Supergirl*,” Alison Sigman-Powell, University of Indianapolis, alison.sigman@gmail.com

“Good Girls Revolt: Mass Media’s Framing of the “Feminist” Series,” Melissa Boehm, Department of Communication and Theatre, Montana State University Billings, melissa.boehm1@msubillings.edu

“Cripples, Bastards, and Broken Things”: Subverting Masculinity on *Game of Thrones*,” Katherine Lee, Indiana State University, katherine.lee@indstate.edu

“Intertextuality and Gender Roles in *Sons of Anarchy* & Shakespeare’s *Hamlet*,” Wendi Kozma, Marshall University, kozma@marshall.edu

Panel Chair: Melissa Boehm

2202

Friday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 2

“I May Be Dead but I’m Still Pretty”: Women in Postmodern Gothic Fiction
Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

“From “Cool Girl” to “Amazing”: Deconstructing the Narrated Woman in *Gone Girl*,” Kathryn Dolan, Missouri University of Science and Technology, dolankc@mst.edu

“Making Time Pretty Deadly,” Rachel Schneider, Missouri University of Science and Technology, schneiderra@mst.edu

“Doubling Down on Distress: Absentee and Antagonist Mothers in *The Last of Us*,” Daniel Reardon, Missouri University of Science and Technology, reardond@mst.edu

“The Aesthetics of Horror: Art, Politics, and Mystery in the Narrative Quilt of My Favorite Thing Is Monsters,” Gary Vaughn, English and Comparative Literature, University of Cincinnati, gary.vaughn@uc.edu

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, NSSC, Michigan State University, jdowell@msu.edu

2203
Friday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 4

Applying Classical Theory to The Comics
Comics

- “The Nicomachean Superhero,” CarrieLynn Reinhard, Communication Arts & Sciences,
Dominican University, creinhard@dom.edu
“Look, Up in the Sky! The Transatlantic Influence in the Evolution of the Superhuman Hero in
the Early 20th Century,” Liam Webb, Independent Scholar, liamwebb@hotmail.com;
“Beasts, Bats, and Bullets: The Comic Book as Fable,” Kristen Figgins, University of Arkansas,
kristenfiggins@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Kristen Figgins

2204
Friday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 5

Pedagogical Possibilities: Ideas for Teaching Popular Culture & Using Popular Culture to Teach
Pedagogy and Popular Culture

- “Popping Pedagogy: Using Popular Culture to help foster discussion and engagement in the
classroom,” William Visco, University of North Texas, liam279@yahoo.com
“Intercultural Communication, Diasporic Film, Gender, & Sexuality,” Ahmet Atay
“Television and the Myth of the Model Family,” Molly Brost, University of Southern Indiana,
mjbrost@usi.edu
“From Focus Groups to Autoethnography: Approaching Audience Analyses,” Jennifer C. Dunn,
Dominican University, jdunn@dom.edu
“Health Communication and Media Representations,” Malynda Johnson, Indiana State
University, malynda.johnson@indstate.edu
“Rap, Legal Restrictions, and Freedom of Expression,” Brian Johnston, Indiana State University,
brian.johnston@indstate.edu
“Popular Culture, Mass Media, and Visual Rhetoric,” Adam Tyma, School of Communication,
University of Nebraska at Omaha, atyma@unomaha.edu

Panel Chair: Jessica Birch, jessicaelizabethbirch@gmail.com

2205
Friday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 6

The Blurring of Kayfabe and Reality in Professional Wrestling
Wrestling Studies

- “Breaking the Tie with Sports,” Thomas Klintø Laursen, Independent Scholar,
tomat.tkl@gmail.com
“Pro Wrestling’s Worked Shoot as Simulacra of Kayfabe,” Matt Foy, Upper Iowa University,
foym38@uiu.edu
“Trump: The Art of the Heel,” Dru Jeffries, Wilfrid Laurier University, dru.jeffries@gmail.com
Panel Chair: CarrieLynn D. Reinhard, Dominican University, creinhard@dom.edu

2206
Friday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 7

New Perspectives on Advertising & Public Relations
Advertising and Public Relations

- “Communicating Corporate Social Responsibility Through Instagram,” Suman Mishra, Southern
Illinois University Edwardsville, smishra@siue.edu
“Popularity of Foreign Brand Posts In China: An Investigation of the Effects of Local Cultural
Elements,” Xueqi Chen, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, xuchen@siue.edu
“Regulating Advertising in Bulgaria: A Critical Junction Between Principles and Practices,” Elza
Ibroscheva, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, eibrosc@siue.edu
Panel Chair: Suman Mishra

2207
Friday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 8

Music III
Music

“Solo Ride Until I Die: Paranoid Masculinity as Hegemonic Affect in G-Eazy’s “Me, Myself & I,” Noelle Blood, INSTITUTION NEEDED, noelle.blood@gmail.com
“Not so “Quiet’: Bringing voices together in a social movement,” Laura Seroka, Bowling Green State University, serokal@bgsu.edu
“The Funky Monk and the Myth of the Solitary Author,” Jessica Williams, SUNY Old Westbury, williamsjl@oldwestbury.edu

Panel Chair:

Friday 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

2401
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 1

Race and Sexuality on PBS: The Struggle between Highbrow and Lowbrow Culture
Television

“*Meryl Street*: The Defining Moment of America’s History,” Cicely Hunter, American Studies, St. Louis University, huntercb@slu.edu
“Vacillating Visuals of Gay Masculinity: “ZCamp Presentations of Sexuality in PBS’s *Vicious*,” Alicia Jessmon, American Studies, St. Louis University, jessmonai@slu.edu
“Reading, Writing, and...Race? The Critical Multiculturalism of PBS’ *Ghostwriter*,” Mary Maxfield, Saint Louis University, maxfieldma@slu.edu

Panel Chair: Ben Looker, American Studies, St. Louis University, blooker@slu.edu

2402
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 2

Post Apocalyptic Utopias (or Dystopias) in late Twentieth Century Science Fiction: Feminism, Environmentalism, and the Nature of Nature
Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

- “A Head Full of Abject: The Horror of Feminine Sexuality in A Head Full of Ghosts,” Jennifer Grindstaff, John Wood Community College, jgrindstaff@jwcc.edu
- “Evolutionary Change, Empathy, & Community of Equals: Octavia Butler’s Post-Apocalyptic & Imagined Intersectional Feminist Utopia,” Cassandra Feters, Clermont College, University of Cincinnati, fettercd@ucmail.uc.edu
- “Line, Circle, Spiral: Utopian Time and Feminism in Ursula Le Guin’s Always Coming Home (1984),” Phoebe Reeves, Clermont College, University of Cincinnati, phoebe.reeves@uc.edu
- “Environmental Disaster, Gender Roles, and Individual Identity in Kate Wilhelm’s “Where Late the Sweet Birds Sang,”” Frederic Krome, Clermont College, University of Cincinnati, kromefj@ucmail.uc.edu

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, NSSC, Michigan State University, East Lansing MI 48824, jdowell@msu.edu

2403
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 4

Comics: Germans, Photographs, and Mutt and Jeff
Comics

- “The Role of Photographs in Comics,” Leah McCormack, University of South Dakota, leah.mccormack@usd.edu
- “Motherhood and Femininity: Political Battlegrounds in Anke Feuchtenberger’s Works,” Carly Lesoski, Michigan State University, lesoskic@msu.edu
- “This Inactive Life Back of the Lines is Getting on My Nerves”: Bud Fisher’s Mutt and Jeff in the First World War,” Donald Eberle, INSTITUTION NEEDED, Donaldceberle@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Donald Eberle

2404
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 5

Popular Culture Round Up 4: Representations and Politics
Theatre & Television

- “BLOOD ON THE FLOOR: Aspects of Competition in Dance,” Darryl Clark, Theatre,
Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, darryl.clark@siu.edu
“Reading the Arab Political Thriller: Fact or Fiction?,” Mona Zaki, INSTITUTION NEEDED,
Heliopolis1957@gmail.com
“Naturalized Hierarchies and the Politics of Representation: “Isis,” “ISIS,” and the Dog Days of
Downton,” Sarah McFarland Taylor, Northwestern University, sarah@northwestern.edu

Panel Chair: Darryl Clark

2405
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 6

The Past, Present, and Future of Professional Wrestling
Wrestling Studies

- “Professional Wrestling as Convergent Wrestling,” CarrieLynn D. Reinhard, Dominican
University, creinhard@dom.edu
“Professional Wrestling Storylines as Cultural Texts,” Matt Foy, Upper Iowa University,
foym38@uiu.edu
“What It Takes to Become a WWE Diva,” Kathie Kallevig, Yavapai College,
kakallevig@gmail.com
“Control Over Professional Wrestling Storylines,” Lowery Woodall, Millersville University,
Lowery.Woodall@millersville.edu
“A Fan-Scholar’s Gaze at Pro-Wrestling,” Christopher J. Olson, University of Wisconsin-
Milwaukee, chrstphrolson@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Christopher J. Olson

2406
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 7

Teaching Advertising and Public Relations
Advertising and Public Relations

“Films-A Look into What Students Are Seeing About Advertising,” Kristy Tucciarone, Arts, Media, Communications, Department of Communications, Lindenwood University, ktucciarone@lindenwood.edu

“A Case Study Analysis: University of Louisiana at Lafayette Integrates Social and New Media in Strategic Communication Program Combining Public Relations and Advertising Curricula,” Dedria Givens-Carroll, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, dsq4921@louisiana.edu

“Bridging the Academic-Practitioner Gap: Understanding Advertising Practitioners Understanding of Research,” Katharine Hubbard, SUNY Buffalo State, khubbard042@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Dedria Givens-Carroll

2407
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Sterling 8

Professional Development #1
Professional Development

“Publishing Opportunities in Popular Culture and American Culture Studies”

Advice about publishing from the Editors of the Journal of American Culture (Kathy Merlock Jackson), the Journal of Popular Culture (Ann Larabee), the Popular Culture Studies Journal (Kathleen Turner, Associate Editor), Popular Music and Society and Rock Music Studies (Gary Burns), and Post Script (Gerald Duchovnay)

Gary Burns, Popular Music and Society and Rock Music Studies, Northern Illinois University, gburns@niu.edu

Gerald Duchovnay, Post Script, Texas A&M University-Commerce, gerald.duchovnay@tamuc.edu

Kathy Merlock Jackson, Journal of American Culture, kmjackson@vwc.edu

Ann Larabee, Journal of Popular Culture, Michigan State University, larabee@msu.edu

Kathleen Turner, Popular Culture Studies Journal, Midwest Popular Culture Association, executivesecretary@mpcaaca.org

Chair: Gary Burns

2408
Friday, 1:00-2:30
Regency B

Indigeneity and Epistemologies of Displacement and Agency
Indigenous Studies

“Music as Pedagogy for Teaching Yorùbá Language in Colleges in the United States,”
Funmilola Oladipo, Olabisi Onabanjo University, olugbadefunmi@gmail.com

“The Role of Prejudice on Negative Stereotypes of Native Americans and the Approval of
Native American Mascots,” Stephanie Cross, The University of Oklahoma,
srcross@ou.edu

“Injustice Revealed: The Contours of Federal Indian Law, Tribal Sovereignty, and Violence
Against Native Women in “Wind River” (2017),” Akikwe Cornell, University of
Minnesota, corne212@umn.edu

“Portrait of the Indigenous Arts as a “Warrior,”” Anthony Adah, American Studies, University
of Maryland, adahan@mnstate.edu

Panel Chair: Anthony Adah

Friday 2:45 – 4:15 p.m.

2501
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 1

Representation on TV
Television

“Dirty Dancing: Sex Appeal, Sexual Identity, & Sexuality in *Dancing with the Stars*,” Lisa
Beckelhimer, English & Comparative Literature, University of Cincinnati,
lisa.beckelhimer@uc.edu

“Lesbians and Their Gay Male Counterparts in *The Office* and *The Mindy Project*,” Meaghan Loraas,
Texas State University, m_1336@txstate.edu

“Fighting for Visibility: An Analysis of the Growing Presence of East Asians in American
Television,” Daniela Mazur, INSTITUTION NEEDED, dani.mazurel@gmail.com

“Daytime Talk Television and The Big Fat Turncoats: Oprah and Ricki, Victims and Purveyors
of Anti-Fat Sentiments,” Liz Deegan, Oklahoma State University - Stillwater,
liz.deegan@okstate.edu

Panel Chair: Lisa Beckelhimer

2502
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 2

TechnoTerrors
Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

“Traveling to the Center of The Maze: An Existential Interpretation of HBO’s *Westworld* Season One Finale “The Bicameral Mind,”” Jenna Brownfield, University of Missouri—Kansas City, jmbd57@mail.umkc.edu; Dayna Brownfield.

“Devil in Your Device: When Fear Mates with Technology,” Sandra Newsome, Southeast Missouri State University, snewsome@semo.edu

“Going Mad: Madness as a Fear Tactic in Jekyll and Hyde,” Alyssa Ward, University of Missouri—St. Louis, alwxrf@mail.umsl.edu

“Shingeki no Walking Dead: The Horror of the Posthuman,” Angela Drummond-Mathews, University of North Texas at Dallas, amdmathews@gmail.com

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, Michigan State University, East Lansing MI 48824, jdowell@msu.edu

2503
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 4

DC Comics: In Many Eras and Many Media
Comics

“*Superman vs. Superman*: Differences in Affective Appeal,” Samuel Watson, Baylor University, sam_watson@baylor.edu

“Critical Analysis of Gender Representation in The CW’s *The Flash*,” Shannon Grosenbacher, Ball State University, segrosen@gmail.com

“How Big of a B was Barda? Feminism as a Foil in the Giffen/DeMatteis Justice League,” Jennifer Swartz-Levine, English, Lake Erie College, jswartz@lec.edu

“Wham! Bam! Slam Bradley: The Evolution and Influences of DC Comics’ Hardboiled Hero,” Charles Coletta, Popular Culture, Bowling Green State, ccolett@bgsu.edu

Panel Chair: Charles Coletta

2504
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 5

Popular Culture Roundup 2: Historical America
Popular Culture Roundup

- “Emerson’s “Threnody”: A Queer Ecocritical Reading,” Sam Lauer, Bucknell University, scl016@bucknell.edu
- “Brought to You by the Committee to Elect George McClellan: Ashbel Fairchild Hill’s Our Boys as Presidential Campaign Literature,” Thomas Curran, Social Studies, Cor Jesu Academy, tcurran@corjesu.org
- “What is to Bind These Colonies Together?”: Reconstruction and Romance in William Gilmore Simms’s Joscelyn,” Jaclyn Carver, University of Iowa, jaclyn-carver@uiowa.edu
- “Examining City Park Culture at Hidden Falls,” Cory Quirk, Hamline University, cquirk01@hamline.edu

Panel Chair:

2505
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 6

Fan Cultures
Fan Studies

- “Yehuda Goldstein Goes to Hogwarts: Looking at Jewish Fandom Practices,” Deborah Krieger, Independent Scholar, deborahkrieger20@gmail.com
- “Excavating User-Generated Content in the Online Indie Music Community,” Kelli Smith, Michigan State University, kelli.d.smith789@gmail.com
- “Fans, Franchises, and Cultural Production: What *the Hobbit* and Disney’s *Star Wars* Tell Us About the Internet and Media Entertainment Culture,” Zachary Sheldon, Baylor University, Zachary_Sheldon@baylor.edu
- “Movie Riffing at B-Fest: An Exploration of Unscripted In-Theater Audience Participation as Embodied Performance of Film Criticism,” Matt Foy, Upper Iowa University, foym38@uiu.edu

Panel Chair::

2506
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 7

Anime and Comics: East Asia, South Asia, and Beyond
Asian and Asian American Popular Culture

- “Gaining an Understanding About Post-War Society and Culture in Japan Navigated Through the Lens of Akira A,” Jules Patalita, Ball State University, jmpatalita@bsu.edu
“Satoshi Kon’s Otaku: From the Dangerous Database Animal to The Family Man,” Scarlett, Hung-Chen Lu, INSTITUTION NEEDED, scarlett821103@gmail.com
“Afro-Asian Polycultural Hybridity in Samurai Champloo,” Janet Louie, Harvard, janet_louie@g.harvard.edu
“The Revival of Indian Comics: Perspectives from Stakeholders at Comic Con India,” Mara Thacker, University of Illinois, mthacker@illinois.edu

Panel Chair: Mara Thacker

2507
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Sterling 8

Video Game Narratives
Video Games

- “The Wordless Desert: Silent Story in *Journey*,” Autumn Shuler, Northern Kentucky University, shulera1@nku.edu
“The Battle of Learning in Video Games: An Autoethnography of Learning Affected by Star Wars Battlefront,” Dakota Horn, Illinois State University, dchorn@ilstu.edu
“Maps and Modes of Transportation in Kentucky Route Zero,” Eric Newsom, University of Central Missouri, enewsom@ucmo.edu

Panel Chair: Pam Wicks, Aurora University, pwicks22@gmail.com

2508
Friday, 2:45-4:15
Regency B

Indigenous Filiations and Disaffiliations
Indigenous Studies

- “Of Parents, Sons & Phantoms: Transracial Adoption and [Racial]Melancholia in Sherman Alexie’s *Indian Killer*,” Deepthi Siriwardena, University of Florida, deesiri@ufl.edu
- “Blank Spaces and Palimpsest: Native Americans in Felicia Hemans’s “The Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers in New England,” Katie Cary, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, kmccary@uwm.edu
- “Representations of Indigenous Familial Relationships and Supernatural Intervention in Disney’s *Lilo & Stitch* and *Brother Bear*,” Cynthia E Snider, University of Missouri, cest3c@mail.missouri.edu

Panel Chair: Akikwe Cornell

2509
Friday, 2:45-4:15
TBD
Executive Council Meeting #1

Friday 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Regency E and Regency F
Featured Speakers

2601. Jesse Kavadlo, **Regency E.**

2602. TBD. **Regency F.**

Friday 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.
Award Reception. **Regency AB Foyer**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 a.m.

Registration

Regency A.

Saturday 2:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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Regency A.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Book Exhibits

Regency A.

3100

Saturday, 8:30-10:30

TBD

Executive Council Meeting #2

Saturday 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

3101

Saturday, 9:00-10:30

Sterling 1

Representing America on TV
Television

“‘Doing It for the Dream’: Neoliberal Narratives of Working-Class and Immigrant Employees on CBS’s *Undercover Boss*,” Kristen Hungerford, Miami University - Ohio, hungerk@miamioh.edu

“Pawnee and the Mythical Midwest,” Ashleigh McDonald, Truman State University, aj1283@truman.edu

“Dual Realities: Debunking the Uncle Sam and Russian Bear Mythologies in *The Americans*,” Robert Mulcahy, College of William and Mary, rmulcahy@wm.edu

“What America is *American Horror Story* Really Representing?,” Katherine Pine, Indiana State University, katherine.pine@indstate.edu

Panel Chair: Kristen Hungerford

3102
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 2

Detectives and Detection
Mystery, Thrillers, Detective, and Crime Fiction

“All Cats are Gray in the Dark: Francis, the Feline Detective in the Felidae Series,” Karen Bell, Interdisciplinary Studies, Delta State University, kbell@deltastate.edu

“True Detectives, Fake News: Detective Fiction and Neoliberalism’s Last Midnight,” KF Harlock, English, Duke University, kf.harlock@duke.edu; L.J. Cooper, English, Duke University

“The Beast Within: Animals and Textual Tension in Geoffrey Household’s Thriller, *Rogue Male*,” Blake Westerlund, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, westerbr@uwec.edu

Panel Chair: Maryan Wherry, Western Illinois University Quad-Cities, wherrym@gmx.com

3103
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 4

Philosophy and Popular Culture #1
Philosophy and Popular Culture

“A Demonology of *Twin Peaks*: Speculative Realism as Method for Visual Culture.,” Matt Bernico, Greenville University, Matt.bernico@greenville.edu

“Popular Interpretation of History,” Prof. Ismail Noori Mseer,” Ismail Mseer, INSTITUTION NEEDED, imseer@yahoo.com

“Style, Not Type: Self-Creation Based on A Non-Essential Field-Process Relationship. Series 1: The Golden Girls and Role-Playing Games,” Mike Hagan, Humanities, University of Louisville, mphaga01@louisville.edu

Panel Chair::

3104
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 5

The Politics of Politics
Politics

“Making America What America Must Become”: Baldwin, Coates, and Visions of Progressive Racial Victory,” Kierstan Carter, Washington University in St. Louis, kierstan@wustl.edu

“African American Congressmen from Missouri, 1969-2017,” Philip A. Grant, Jr., INSTITUTION NEEDED, anonymous-user@mpcaaca.org

“The Tragical History of Donald Trump: A Comparison Between a Morality Play and 21st Century Politics,” Mercedes Lubbers, INSTITUTION NEEDED, mercedeslubbers@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

3105
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 6

Queer Femininities and Masculinities
Queer Studies

“Come Out Will: Queerness and Masculinity in *Stranger Things*,” Joshua Adams, INSTITUTION NEEDED, joshuacad22@gmail.com

“Here and Queer: Representations of Queer Women in Entertainment Media,” Marina Coop, Sociology and Sexuality Studies Department, San Francisco State University, mcoop@mail.sfsu.edu

“James Blake and Gender-Neutral Music,” Alyssa Chavarry, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, alysachavarry@gmail.com

“Queer Detectives and Detecting Queer,” Paul Emmett, University of Wisconsin Colleges, paul.emmett@uwc.edu

“Monsters in the Closet: Victor’s Homosexual Repression in Mary Shelley’s *Frankenstein*,” Zachary Lee, University of Missouri–St. Louis, zjlmr5@mail.umsl.edu

Panel Chair:

3106
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 7

Politics and Horror in Post-9/11 Cinema
9/11 and Popular Culture

- “A Reading of Cinema Wars: Hollywood Film and Politics in the Bush-Cheney Era,” Jules Patalita, Ball State University, jmpatalita@bsu.edu
“Only Humans Can Cry Real Tears”: *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* and the Horror of Crying,” Jessica Williams, SUNY Old Westbury, williamsjl@oldwestbury.edu

Panel Chair:

3107
Saturday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 8

Dark Sides of Health and Pop Culture
Health

- “HIV-Positive: Gran Fury’s Art as Transformative Visual Political Communication,” Emma Lozon, Michigan Technological University, emlozon@mtu.edu
“What Are We Reading Online? A Content Analysis of Health Rumors on Weibo in Mainland China,” Lu Fan, Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, carol26@siu.edu
“The Danger Zone: The Stigma of Mental Health Amongst College Athletes,” Karissa Cardenas, INSTITUTION NEEDED, karissacardenas01@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Malynnda Johnson, Indiana State University, malynnda.johnson@indstate.edu

Saturday 10:45 – 12:15 p.m.

3201

Saturday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 1

The Family on TV

Television

“Self-disclosure Between Adolescents and Parents in *The Fosters*,” Christina Colon, Purdue University Northwest, colonc@pnw.edu

“Role Reversal in “The Bad Beginning,” *A Series of Unfortunate Events*,” Mary Hudson, English, Blue Mountain College, maryhudson@bmc.edu

“Infertility-related Social Concerns as Viewed in *Sex and the City*,” Ashley Bult, Purdue University Northwest, ashleynbult@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Christina Colon

3202

Saturday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 2

Franchise Funhouse: Potter, GoT, MCU, & Penny Dreadful

Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

“Harry Potter: Creative Genius or Imitation?,” Carrie Kendall, University of Phoenix, carrie.kendall@phoenix.edu

“Hail Hydra: Secret, Civil, and Culture Wars the Marvel Cinematic Universe Way,” Rebecca Borah, English, University of Cincinnati, rebecca.borah@uc.edu

“Performing Masculinity in *Game of Thrones*,” Dee Goertz, Hanover College, goertz@hanover.edu

“*Penny Dreadful* and the Female Gothic,” Kimberly Baldus, University of Missouri–St. Louis, balduski@umsl.edu

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, Michigan State University, jdowell@msu.edu

3203
Saturday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 4

Marvel: Then and Now
Comics

- “No One Man”: Ta-Nehisi Coates’ Black Panther as Messiah and Not,” John Brittingham, Greenville University, john.brittingham@greenville.edu
- “Savagely Sensational: An Analysis of the History and Development of Marvel’s She-Hulk,” Zane Garthee, Bowling Green State University, zgarthe@bgsu.edu
- “Great Power and Great Responsibility: The Internal and External Tensions of the Superhero and Melodramatic Modes of Stan Lee and Steve Ditko’s *The Amazing Spider-Man*,” Matt Linton, Wayne State University, matt.linton@wayne.edu
- “Perception, Memory, and Forgetting within The Fantastic Four’s Galactus Trilogy,” Alan Jozwiak, INSTITUTION NEEDED, jozwiakalan@hotmail.com

Panel Chair: Alan Jozwiak

3204
Saturday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 5

Textual Politics
Pedagogy and Popular Culture

- “To Read or Not to Read: Multicultural YAL in Secondary Classrooms,” Rhonda Hartman, English, University of Central Oklahoma, rhondahartman@live.com
- “Music as Pedagogy for teaching Yorùbá language in Colleges in the United States,” Funmilola Oladipo, Olabisi Onabanjo University, olugbadefunmi@gmail.com
- “Using Comics to Teach Spanish Literature,” Rachel Trusty, University of Arkansas Community College, ratrusty@hotmail.com
- “The Sins of Our Legislators!”: Teaching Ruiz de Burton’s *The Squatter and the Don* During a Period of Traumatic Immigration Uncertainty,” Lauren Phelps, University of Texas at Arlington, lauren.phelps@uta.edu

Panel Chair: Jessica Birch

3205

Saturday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 6

Consumptions: Love, TV, and Dining
Asian and Asian American Popular Culture

“When East Dates West: A Study of Asian American Interracial Relationships in American Television Comedies,” Takreem Zulfiqar, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, tz3@umbc.edu

“Banner Year? Asian American and Pacific Islander Progress in Primetime Television,” Nancy Yuen, Biola University, nancy.yuen@biola.edu

“Hesitantly Riding the Wave: Consuming Korean Television as a Western, Non-Asian Woman,” Maya Thornton, Asian American Resource and Cultural Center, Murray State University, mthornton8@murraystate.edu

“A Semiotic Reading of Chinese Restaurants in the St. Louis Area,” Tom Lavallee, Foreign Languages and Literature, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, tlavale@siue.edu

Panel Chair: Tom Lavallee

3206

Saturday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 7

Fandom Case Studies
Fan Studies

“The Day of the Doctor”: A Case Study,” Courtney Bliss, American Culture Studies, Bowling Green State University, cbliss@bgsu.edu

“Solo Stylings: Fan Dynamics from One Direction to “Harry Styles”,” Devin Magee, Independent Scholar, iamdevinnoble@gmail.com

“Kaaaark!”: Critiquing Normative Shipper Desires with Fan Absurdism,” Katherine Vogt, English-Literature, San Francisco State University, kvogt1@mail.sfsu.edu

“Make Pussy Riot Great (Again): Authenticity, Evolution, and the Pussy Riot Fandom,” Shanna Gilkeson, Bowling Green State University, gshanna@bgsu.edu

Panel Chair: Katherine Vogt

3207
Saturday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 8

The Influence of New Media
New Media

- “Uniting the Gay Community in the Digital World,” Anthony Salazar, Ball State University
asalazar@bsu.edu
- “Loud, Dumb, and Useless: The Rise of Internet Nostalgia,” Jason Phillips, Ball State University,
jphillips5@bsu.edu
- “The YouTube Confessional: A Cultural Legacy of Directly Addressing the Camera,” Aaron
Duplantier, University of Houston, aaron.duplantier@gmail.com
- “Protests Coming Down the Pipe(line): Examining the Content, Source, and Volume of Tweets
Associated with the Dakota Access Pipeline,” Seth McCulloch, University of
Connecticut, seth.mcculloch@uconn.edu

Panel Chair: Pam Wicks, Aurora University, pwicks22@gmail.com

Saturday 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Regency C.

3301. Annual Meeting. Regency C.

In attending the MPCA/ACA annual conference, you may have also paid your membership dues. Come join us to hear about the organization’s new initiatives, to get more involved, and to share your ideas with the Executive Council. Lunch will be provided to those who attend the meeting.

Saturday 2:15 – 3:45 p.m.

3401

Saturday, 2:15-3:45

Sterling 1

Trends in TV Form

Television

“Clues of Violence: The Rise of the Empirical Detective on Popular Television,” Shannon Zinck, University of South Florida, stivnan@mail.usf.edu

“Alone at Home: The Seriality of Loneliness in *The Big Bang Theory*,” Denis Newiak, mail@denis-newiak.de

“*Star Trek*: 50 Years of Cultural Change,” Olivia Riley, Independent Scholar, hesdeadjim42@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Shannon Zinck

3402

Saturday, 2:15-3:45

Sterling 2

Genre and Theory and Audience: Oh My!

Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

“Using the Potter Box to Analyze Horror Movies,” Khara Lukancic, Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, khara@siu.edu

“American Exceptionalism in and Against the Literature of the Fantastic,” Tim Bryant, Buffalo State, bryanttj@buffalostate.edu

“Re-visioning Genre in Contemporary Popular Fiction: Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child’s *the Relic* (1995) as Horror Thriller,” Gary Hoppenstand, English, Michigan State University, hoppens2@msu.edu

“The Food Wasn’t Human: *Hannibal* and Audience Misdirection,” Ashley Donnelly-Minix, Ball State University, bsuamdonnelly@gmail.com

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, Michigan State University, jdowell@msu.edu

3403

Saturday, 2:15-3:45

Sterling 4

Vertigo Plus One: Comics Pushing Boundaries

Comics

“Stories That Hit the World like Bombs”: Vertigo’s the Unwritten and the Limits of Dystopia,”

Shelby Cadwell, Wayne State University, shelby.cadwell@wayne.edu

“Elektra Complex,” Rachel Ramlawi, Bowling Green State University, rramlaw@bgsu.edu

“You Get What Anybody Gets -- Yu Get a Lifetime”: Tolkien’s “Recovery” at work in The Sandman: Preludes and Nocturnes,” Daniela Price, San Francisco State University, dprice@mail.sfsu.edu

“iZombie: Memory Loss, Social Anxiety, and Identity,” Jennifer Farrell, General Studies, Milwaukee School of Engineering, jkelsofarrell@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Jennifer Farrell

3404

Saturday, 2:15-3:45

Sterling 5

Popular Culture Depictions of Gender and Disability

Gender Studies

“Crazy Ex-Girlfriend: Awareness & Gender in The Precarious Girl Musical,” Sarah Eutsler, Ball State University, seeutsler@bsu.edu

“The Situation Is a Lot More Nuanced Than That: “Crazy” Femininity in Crazy Ex-Girlfriend,” Holly Holladay, Missouri State University, hollyholladay@missouristate.edu

Panel Chair:

3405
Saturday, 2:15-3:45
Sterling 6

Way Past Angry: Whitewashing and Prejudices in Film
Asian and Asian American Popular Culture

- “Whitewashing Asianness in Contemporary Hollywood Blockbusters,” Jane Im, University of Illinois, janeim2@illinois.edu
“The White Savior Model in and Beyond the Great Wall,” Lu Fan, Southern Illinois University - Carbondale, carol26@siu.edu
“Added Ingredients: Asian Ethnicity and the American Racial Dialogue in Mira Nair’s Mississippi Masala,” James Scott, Saint Louis University, scottjf@slu.edu
“Who is the South Indian Tamil’s New Angry Young Man?,” Solane Gayathri de Brabisson, INSTITUTION NEEDED, sg.debrebisson@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Solane Gayathri de Brabisson

3406
Saturday, 2:15-3:45
Sterling 7

Affective Labor, Toys, and Other Girls’ Economies
Girls’ Culture/Girls’ Studies

- “Girls’ Economies & Girlhood Cultures: Working, Performing, Playing,” Miriam Forman-Brunell, American Studies, University of Maryland, Forman-BrunellM@umkc.edu
“Girls Rule: Abandoning Traditional Gender Stereotypes in Toy Marketing,” Katherine Pine, Indiana State University, katherine.pine@indstate.edu
“Feeling Girl from Riot Grrrl to *Mean Girls* to Pink Pussy Hats: The Affective Circulation of Girl in Third Wave Feminisms,” Monica Swindle, St. Louis Community College, mswindle1@stlcc.edu

Panel Chair:

3407
Saturday, 2:15-3:45
Sterling 8

Professional Development #2
Professional Development

That First Academic Job: Tips for getting and transitioning

This panel will feature four individuals who will draw from their experience of getting and transitioning into their first academic job. Each person will talk for a few minutes on their experience, offer tips and suggestions, and then the floor will open to the audience to ask questions of the panel. The panel features individuals in different fields and at different universities.

Cortney Barko, West Virginia University Institute of Technology, Cortney.Barko@mail.wvu.edu
Allison Levin, Webster University, Allison.levin@gmail.com
Stephanie Salerno, Roosevelt University, salernosas@gmail.com
Holly Holladay, Missouri State University, HollyHolladay@MissouriState.edu
Julia Largent, McPherson College, jel.largent@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Julia Largent

Saturday 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

3501
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 1

TV Beyond the Broadcast
Television

“The New 24-Hour Network: Television, On Twitter,” Cory Barker, Indiana University,
barker@indiana.edu
“Over-The-Top Liveness: Apps, Appeals, and Livestream Television,” Carter Moulton,
Northwestern University, cartermoulton@u.northwestern.edu
“TV in a Coma...I Know It’s Serious: *Black Mirror* and The Struggle between Traditional Media
and Digital Media,” Jason Phillips, Ball State University, jphillips5@bsu.edu
“Boxing and The Turn to Pay Television,” Vincent Landino, Oklahoma State University,
vlandino91@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Cory Barker

3502
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 2

Damned Post-9/11 Zombies and Torture ... Again!
Horror and Science Fiction/Fantasy

“Justified Torture and the Curse of Omission Post 9/11 in *The Last House on the Left*,” Dustin Freeley, Online Film Critics Society, dustin.freeley@gmail.com

“Global Zombie Pandemic: Is the Modern Movie Zombie a Reflection of Post 9-11 Fears?,” Scott Maiorca, University of Oklahoma, scott.maiorca@gmail.com

“Let’s Go Dance with the Revenants in France: Eco-Horror, “Spam in a Cabin,” Philosophical Meditations, and an International Porn Star in Gallic Zombie Cinema,” J. Rocky Colavito, Butler University, j_rockyc@hotmail.com

“A Changing of The Guard: The Evolutionary Link of Horror Films and Monsters to Historical Trauma,” Zachery Franks, Northeastern Illinois University, zdfranks@comcast.net

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, NSSC, Michigan State University, East Lansing MI 48824, jdowell@msu.edu

3503
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 4

Sex and Sexuality in Popular Culture
Gender Studies

“The Bed-trick Comedy or Offense: An Examination of the Device from Medieval to Modern Representations,” Abby Daniel, Marshall University, daniel84@marshall.edu

“Define “Slut”,” Rhonda Hartman, English, University of Central Oklahoma, rhondahartman@live.com

“Pornography or Just Popular?: Justine Ettler’s “The River Ophelia”,” Rebecca Johnke, The University of Sydney, rebecca.johinke@sydney.edu.au

“The Bloody Chamber: Angela Carter Takes Fairy Tale Heroines Beyond Their Role of Princess in Love,” Amy Sather, University of Nebraska Omaha, amysather@unomaha.edu

“Queering/Crippling Breaking Bad: Proving Hegemonic Masculinity Across a Spectrum of Ability,” Shannon Wooden, Missouri State University, srwooden@missouristate.edu

Panel Chair:

3504
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 5

Popular Culture Round Up 3: Children and YA Media
Popular Culture Round Up

- “What Just Happened?: Sacrifice, Heroics, and Death in Joss Whedon’s *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* and *Avengers*,” Amy Williamson, English, Youngstown State University, amy23williamson@gmail.com
“Filtering the Flow: Curating Popular Media through the K-12 Web Archiving Project,” Patricia Carlton, University of Central Florida, carltonpatricia@knights.ucf.edu
“Making Modern Children: A 1960s “Contemporary” Toy Tea Service,” Curt Lund, Hamline University, clund07@hamline.edu

Panel Chair:

3505
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 6

Fans and Their Content
Fan Studies

- “Fandom, Copyright, and What It Means to Be an “Author”,” Stacey Lantagne, The University of Mississippi, lantagne@olemiss.edu
“Connecting Fandom to Reader Response Criticism,” Samantha Dunn, Illinois State University, sdunn12@ilstu.edu
“How Do They Read? Fans and Active Reading,” Barbara Kulesza-Gulczyaska, Adam Mickiewicz University, b.kuleszagulczynska@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Stacey Lantagne

3506
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 7

Deploying Scary Girls: The Agency of Vampires, Cyborgs, and Fan Girls
Girls' Culture/Girls' Studies

- “Reading Too Much into It,” Maghan Jackson, The Ohio State University,
mmolloyjackson@gmail.com
“The Transgressive Girl,” Nicole Killian, Virginia Commonwealth University,
nmkillian@vcu.edu
“Pangs of Pleasure, Pangs of Guilt: Girlhood, Polyandry and Carnal Desire in the *House of Night*,”
Agnieszka Stasiewicz-Bieakowska, Jagiellonian University, a.stasiewicz-bienkowska@uj.edu.pl

Panel Chair:

3507
Saturday, 4:00-5:30
Sterling 8

Themes in YA Literature
Youth Literature and Media

- “Echo Chambers, Safe Spaces, And the Meaning of Democratic Engagement: How Young
“Activists” Frame Online Discourse,” Julian Burton, Rutgers University - Camden,
jtd.burton@gmail.com
“Virgins, Sluts, and Victims: Narratives of Girls and Sex in Young Adult Literature,” Mary Ann
Harlan, School of Information, San Jose State University, maryann.harlan@gmail.com
“Religious Themes in YA Literature: Using Where Things Come Back and the Religious Lens,”
Bridgid Cassin, Youngstown State University, bcassin@student.yasu.edu
“An Analysis of Diversity in Young Adult Literature,” Alayna Howard, Park University,
alayna.howard@park.edu

Panel Chair: Alayna Howard

3601.
Saturday 5:45 – 6:45 p.m.
Regency C.

Keynote Speaker
Pamela Braasch, St. Louis Science Center.

Saturday 7:00 – 10:30 p.m.

Regency C.

Reception

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Registration

Regency A.

Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Book Exhibits

Regency A.

4100

Sunday, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

TBD

Executive Council Meeting #3

Sunday 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

4101

Sunday, 9:00-10:30

Sterling 1

Historical Society - Bread, Information, and Representation in US History
History

“Pain Cour No More: Revelations on the Shortage of Bread in Colonial St. Louis,” Peter Johnson, University of Central Missouri, pjohnson@ucmo.edu

“Transition to the Fullness of the Other: The Changing Representation of Black People in Philadelphia Popular Culture, 1800-1850,” Ric Caric, International and Interdisciplinary Studies, Morehead State University, caric185@hotmail.com

“Performing Public History: The Kennedy Assassination on the Internet,” Kara Mavers, Theatre and Dance, University of Texas at Austin, kmavers@utexas.edu

Panel Chair:

4102
Sunday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 2

Festivals and Food
Festivals and Food

“Bridge, Mountain, and Vine: Visual Culture, Food Production, and the Politics of Space in the American Occupation of Japan,” Charles Williams, INSTITUTION NEEDED,
charles.hughes.williams@gmail.com

“Ethnicity, Identity, and Celebration: The Role of Festivals in the Evolution of Ethnic Identity,”
Madhudaya Sinha, Interdisciplinary and Communication Studies, Miami University -
Ohio, sinham@miamioh.edu

Panel Chair:

4103
Sunday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 4

Reality TV: Getting Real
Reality Television

“Lock Him In”: Are You the One? and the Technologization of Romantic Love,” Megan
Connor, Indiana University, megconno@indiana.edu

“*American Pickers: Why Do People Watch?*,” Deborah Plum, Department of Communication,
Media and Leadership Studies, Morehead State University, d.plum@moreheadstate.edu

“I am Jazz: A Postmodern Sensation,” Ann Andaloro, American Studies, Morehead State
University, a.andaloro@moreheadstate.edu

Panel Chair: Ann Andaloro

4104
Sunday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 5

Religion and Popular Culture
Religion and Popular Culture

- “Depictions of Evil: How Pop Culture Deals with the Devil,” Aaron Nusz, Kentucky Community and Technical College System, anusz0002@kctcs.edu
“YHWH: Religious Themes in *Person of Interest*,” Jason Phillips, Ball State University, jphillips5@bsu.edu
“BioShock and the New Religion,” Josh Dowling, INSTITUTION NEEDED, adok2713@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

4105
Sunday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 6

Popular Romance
Romance

- “Embracing the Erotic: Negotiating Multiple Boundaries of Sexuality and New Media in Romance Genre Fiction,” Anna Michelson, Northwestern University, annamichelson2015@u.northwestern.edu
“Our Melodrama: Melodramatic Tropes Restructured in Modern Paranormal Romance,” Alexandra Swanson, English, Washington University in St. Louis, alexandraswanson@wustl.edu
“Creating the Perfect Male Hero: An Analysis of Masculinities in Contemporary Popular Romance Novels,” Cory Quirk, Hamline University, cquirk01@hamline.edu
“When the Historical Romance Becomes Romantic,” Maryan Wherry, Western Illinois University Quad Cities, wherrym@gmx.com

Panel Chair: Maryan Wherry

4106
Sunday, 9:00-10:30
Sterling 7

Sixties and Popular Culture
Sixties and Popular Culture

“I Learned from Reading Magazines’: Women’s Magazines as Sources of Sex Education in 1960s Ireland,” Ciara Meehan, University of Hertfordshire, c.meehan2@herts.ac.uk
“Margaret ‘Peggy’ Olson: *Mad Men*’s Agent of Feminist Chaos,” Aya Farhat, Baylor University, Aya_Farhat@baylor.edu

Panel Chair:

Sunday 10:45 – 12:15 p.m.

4201
Sunday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 1

African-American Popular Culture
African-American Popular Culture

“Reclaiming a Cultural Icon: The Search for the Real John Henry in Colson Whitehead’s *John Henry Days*,” Laura Dawkins, ldawkins@murraystate.edu
“Can One Get Out?: Black Horror Movies and Developing a Woke Aesthetics,” Ryan Poll, Northeastern Illinois University, r-poll@neiu.edu

Panel Chair:

4202

Sunday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 2

Weapons-Grade White Guy A-Holes and How to Laugh at Them Correctly
Humor

“Calling All Haters: Unpacking the Unlikability of Mindy’s Mindy,” Victoria Lozano, Coastal Carolina University, victoria.lozano@hotmail.com

“A Yuuuge, Bigly, Baaaad Situation,” Philip Douglas, Millikin University, dougphi456@gmail.com

“White People Problems, Whiteness and Masculinity in Louis CK’s Stand-up Comedy,” Talin Abadiandogidargh, California State University, Northridge, talin.abadiandogidargh.234@my.csun.edu

“Finding Humanity Through Ridicule: Understanding Racism and Nationalism Through the Films of Mel Brooks,” Justin Gray, University of South Dakota, justin.gray@coyotes.usd.edu

Panel Chair: John A. Dowell, Michigan State University, jdowell@msu.edu

4203

Sunday, 10:45-12:15

Sterling 4

School Girls & College Students: Playing with Power
Girls’ Culture/Girls’ Studies

“Hot for Teacher: The Normalization of Power Imbalances and “Forbidden Love’ in Heterosexual Relationships in *Pretty Little Liars*,” Shara Crookston, Women’s and Gender Studies, University of Toledo, sherapuppie@aol.com

“Becoming a ‘Villa Girl’: Girls’ Culture at a Single-Sex Private School in Montreal, 1947-1965,” Lisa Moore, INSTITUTION NEEDED, lisa.moore46@gmail.com

“Hegemony and Gender in Disney’s *Big Hero 6*: Comparing Go Go and Honey Lemon,” Alexandra Herd, INSTITUTION NEEDED, alexandra_herd@yahoo.com

“Reading the Girl’s Side of a “Boy’s Story” aka Harry Potter,” Megumi Nakajima, INSTITUTION NEEDED, megumi.nakajima,1113@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

4204
Sunday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 5

Defining Real Life Heroism through Pop Culture
Heroes in Popular Culture

- “Working-Class Heroine? Subversion and Sabotage in Curtis Sittenfeld’s *Prep*,” Kelli Maloy, University of Pittsburgh, kem25@pitt.edu
“Larry Doby as Unsung Hero,” Leslie Heaphy, History, Kent State University at Stark, lheaphy@kent.edu
“The Concept of the “Hero” in *Schindler’s List* and *Maus*,” Cynthia Crane, University of Cincinnati, cynthia.crane@uc.edu
“Heroism and Violence in International Context: Examining Global Reaction to the US Airstrike on Syria,” Lexington Izuagie, INSTITUTION NEEDED, lexington_izuagie@yahoo.com

Panel Chair: Cynthia Crane

4205
Sunday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 6

Isms - Fascism, Communism, and Imperialism in the Americas
History

- “The Most Spectacular Figure in Central America To-day”: Press Reporting of General Lee Christmas and the Popular Appeal of American Imperialism,” Mark Boulton, Westminster College, mark.boulton@westminster-mo.edu
“Heroes of the Domestic Sphere: Representations of Women and Femininity in American Anti-Fascist WWII Films, 1939-1941,” Devin Kelly, University of North Carolina - Wilmington, dm2881@uncw.edu
“Release the Courageous Communist!” The Angela Davis Campaign in the USSR,” Stephanie Salerno, History, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, salernosas@gmail.com

Panel Chair:

4206
Sunday, 10:45-12:15
Sterling 7

Detectives and Their Community
Mystery, Thrillers, Detective, and Crime Fiction

“Walter Mosley and Sharyn McCrumb’s Community-Based Detectives,” Peter Hesseldenz,
University of Kentucky, phessel@email.uky.edu
“True Crime: St. Louis Detective’s Tell-All Books,” Don Corrigan, INSTITUTION NEEDED,
donzie550@aol.com
“Transgender Bending Mystery: A Theoretical Approach to Trans Mystery Novels,” Jacob
Crystal, English, University of Central Oklahoma, jcrystal@uco.edu

Panel Chair: Maryan Wherry, Western Illinois University Quad-Cities, wherrym@gmx.com

Sunday 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

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Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 1

Subculture
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“Entheogenic Judaism: Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, LSD Consciousness, and Esoteric Wisdom,”
Morgan Shipley, Michigan State University, shiple18@msu.edu

Panel Chair::

4302
Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 2

YA, Power, and Society
Utopia/Dystopia

“Maybe There Are No Good Guys: Differential Consciousness in *the 100*,” Mandy Moore,
Kansas State University, mooreme@ksu.edu
“*The Hunger Games*: e\Entertainment or Opportunity? A Critical Look at How Social Inequity is
Normalized Through Entertainment Media,” Kathleen Stompor, Purdue University
Northwest, klstompor@gmail.com

Panel Chair: John Grummel

4303
Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 4

Women Writing the New West
Westerns

- “Re-imagining Identity: Metalepsis in Claire Vaye Watkins’s “Ghosts, Cowboys”,” Jamie Utphall, INSTITUTION AND EMAIL NEEDED
- “Sylvie’s Revision of Gender in the West in Marilynne Robinson’s Housekeeping,” Amanda Zastrow, INSTITUTION AND EMAIL NEEDED
- “Resisting Masculine Domination of the Frontier in Karen Russell’s “~Proving Up”,” Samantha Foss, INSTITUTION AND EMAIL NEEDED

Panel Chair:

4304
Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 5

Topics in Writing, Rhetoric, and Popular Culture
Writing and Rhetoric in Popular Culture

- “Who Did What to Whom, and According to Whom: Media Positioning of the Dakota Access Pipeline: A Critical Linguistics Analysis,” Aubrey Crosby, INSTITUTION NEEDED, aubmcr@gmail.com
- “Just One More: The Addictive Narratives of Drinking Memoirs and the Creation of Recovery Spaces,” Kelly Johnson, INSTITUTION NEEDED, kellylj@comcast.net
- “Beyond the Beat: Punctuation and Rhythm in Fiction Writing,” Shaylin Montgomery, INSTITUTION NEEDED, shaymontgomery91@gmail.com
- “Competitive Rhetoric in Abbey Road,” Nathaniel Repay, Northern Illinois University, nrepay@niu.edu
- “Every Day is Halloween: What One Man’s Obsession with Halloween Merchandise Can Teach Us About Teaching First Year Writing at the College Level,” Matt Sautman, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, mbsautman@gmail.com

Panel Chair: Aubrey Crosby

4305
Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 6

Sports and Games
Sports Culture

“From Aristotle to Airistotle: The Rhetoric of Sport in the US Air Guitar Championships,”

Raymond Schuck, Bowling Green State University, rschuck@bgsu.edu

“(p/)otrer@s: A Framework For Gender Analysis in The Culture of Argentine Soccer,”

Ildefonso Correas Apelanz, University at Albany, icorreasapelanz@albany.edu

“When Bodies and Money Collide: How Institutional Demands of NCAA Football Collide with
The Health of Players in The Documentary Business of Amateurs,” joy woods,
Community behavioral Health, College of Public Health at the University of Iowa, joy-
woods@uiowa.edu

“American Dream, American Tragedy: Dusty Rhodes, Tragedy and American Identity,” Jim
Davis, Kennesaw State University, jdavi231@kennesaw.edu

Panel Chair:

4306
Sunday, 12:30-2:00
Sterling 7

Philosophy and Popular Culture #2
Philosophy and Popular Culture

“Muggle Born in Harry Potter: Navigating Identity and Belief,” Giacomo Leoni,
INSTITUTION NEEDED, gcm.leoni@gmail.com

“Anomie, The Grotesque, and Nihilism in Pop Culture,” Paul Crutcher, University of Arkansas
at Little Rock, pacrutcher@ualr.edu

“Moonlight: A Study of Affectivity in Three Acts,” Kole Kleeman, Department of Mass
Communication, University of Central Oklahoma, kleemank@sbcglobal.net

Panel Chair: