

# Reading Matters

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## PUBLICATIONS

- **Traci Brimhall**, "Entomotherapy" and "Lacrimosa" (poems), *Nimrod*, vol. 66, no. 2, Spring/Summer 2023, pp. 60-63.  
"Ad Astra" (poem), *KANSAS! Magazine*, vol. 79, no. 2, 2023, p. 64.
- **Elizabeth Dodd**, "Practice Test for the Zombie Apocalypse," "Multiple Choice," "Is This Example Lucid Dreaming? Guided Discussion," and "More Practice Questions," *Diagram*, vol. 23, no. 1, April 2023: [http://thediagram.com/23\\_1/dodd.html](http://thediagram.com/23_1/dodd.html).
- **Michele Janette**, "Dao Strom's Grass Roof, Tin Roof as Settler Refugee Critique." *Western American Literature: A Journal of Literary, Cultural, and Place Studies*, vol. 57, no. 4, 2023, pp. 399-42.
- **Mary Kohn** and Trevin Garcia (BA '18), "A New Majority: Latinx English in Southwest Kansas." *English World-Wide: A Journal of Varieties of English*, 2022, 30 pp.: <https://doi.org/10.1075/eww.22035.koh>
- **Jim Machor**, *The Mercurial Mark Twain(s): Reception History, Audience Engagement, and Iconic Authorship*. New York: Routledge, 2023.
- **Riley O'Mearns** (MA '23), "Ode After the Gel Manicure" (poem). *Nimrod*, vol. 66, no. 2, 2023, p. 36.

## PRESENTATIONS

- **Traci Brimhall**, "Memory Feast." Topeka Unitarian Universalist Church, Topeka, KS. 19 Mar. 2023.  
"Why Can't the Heart Stop Asking?" Kansas Authors Club, Manhattan, KS. 18 Mar. 2023.  
"Why Can't the Heart Stop Asking?" Kansas Wesleyan, Salina, KS. 15 Mar. 2023.  
Poetry Out Loud (emcee). Topeka, KS, 11 Mar. 2023.
- **Mark Crosby**, "William Blake Drawings and Copperplate" (visiting scholar seminar). Visiting Scholar Center, Bodleian Library, University of Oxford. 17 Mar. 2023.  
"The Gothic Apprentice: William Blake in Westminster Abbey" (public lecture). Bodleian Library, University of Oxford, 1 Mar. 2023.
- **Elizabeth Dodd**, Host, *Terrain.org* Reading Series. Readers: Sean Hill, Maura High, Anna Farro Henderson, and Yelizaveta P. Renfro. 27 Mar. 2023.
- **Krista Danielson**, "From Mariner to Mutineer to Merchant: Frederick Hale in Gaskell's *North and South*." *Second Hawaii International Conference on English Language and Literature Studies*. Hilo, HI. 11 Mar. 2023.
- **Abby Knoblauch**, "Does this Workshop Make me Look Fat? Fat Language, Fat Power, and Fat Rhetorics." *Beautiful Bodies: A Lecture Series on Liberation and Dismantling Oppression*. Northern

Michigan University. Marquette, MI. 23 Mar. 2023.

"Fat Pedagogy: Challenging Anti-Fatness in Classroom Practices." *UNITED Conference*. Northern Michigan University. Marquette, MI. 20 Mar. 2023.

- **Anne Longmuir**, "Furniture Women, Despots, and Queens: Elizabeth Barrett Browning and the Ruskin Marriage." *Midwest Victorian Studies Association*. Topeka, KS. 24 Mar. 2023.
- **Kara Northway**, "Making Visible Women's Literate Work for the Early Modern Theaters." *Renaissance Society of America Annual Meeting*. San Juan, PR. 9 Mar. 2023.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Karin Westman** represented Kansas State and the College of Arts and Sciences in Washington, D.C., on March 21 for the 2023 Humanities Advocacy Day, visiting with congressional staff to lobby elected officials for funding for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Title VI/Fulbright-Hayes, and the National Archives (NARA).

## NEWS FROM ALUMNI

- **Trevin Garcia** (BA '18) is co-author with Mary Kohn of "A New Majority: Latinx English in Southwest Kansas," published in *English World-Wide* (2022).
- **Kate Sweeney Postle's** (MA '06) poetry collection *Worrisome Creatures* (Madville Publishing,

2022) has won Gold in the Florida Book Awards in the category of Poetry.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Saturday, 1 Apr. 9:00am.**  
All-University Open House
- **Wednesday, 5 Apr. 4:00pm.**  
Digital Humanities and the Teaching of English
- **Friday, 14 Apr. 3:30pm.**  
Discussion of James Guillory's *Professing Criticism*, sponsored by the Graduate Track in Literature.
- **Wednesday, 19 Apr. 3:30pm.**  
Graduate Literature Symposium
- **Wednesday, 26 Apr. 5:00pm.**  
Retirement Celebration for Don Hedrick and Katy Karlin
- **Friday, 5 May 5:00pm.**  
English Department Awards Celebration
- **Thursday, 11 May 5:00pm.**  
Farewell Reading. Graduating M.A. creative writers will say so long to Kansas State by reading short selections from their creative work.

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