

Reading Matters

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PUBLICATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, "You Said the Lambs Were Ready" (poem). *The Baffler* 38 (Mar-Apr 2018): 121.

"Saudade Manifest: Biography, Myth-Making, and Haunted Houses in the Amazon" (essay). *The Rumpus* (31 January 2018): <<http://therumpus.net/2018/01/saudade-manifest-biography-myth-making-and-haunted-houses-in-the-amazon/>>

• **Elizabeth Dodd**, "Museum Archipelago" (poem). *The Goose: A Journal of Arts, Environment, and Culture in Canada*. 16.2 (2018): <<http://scholars.wlu.ca/thegoose/vol16/iss2/40>>.

• **Gregory Eiselein**, "Ethics and Emotion in William James's *The Principles of Psychology*." *William James, Moral Philosophy, and the Ethical Life*. Ed. Jacob L. Goodson. Lexington Books, 2018. 21-33.

• **Katherine Karlin**, "Rachel Gardner" (story). *American Chordata* 6 (Winter 2018): 129-58. (Previously excerpted on Lit Hub with permission.)

"Remembering the Forgotten Woman: The Twentieth-Century Life of Etta Moten Barnett." *Michigan Quarterly Review Online* (21 Feb. 2018): <www.michiganquarterlyreview.com/2018/02/remembering-the-forgotten-woman-the-twentieth-century-life-of-etta-moten-barnett/>

• **Mary Kohn**. "(De)Segregation: The Impact of De-Facto and De-Jure Segregation on African American English in the New South." *Proceedings from LAVIS IV: Language Variety in the South*. Chapel Hill, NC: UNC Press, 2018. 223-240.

PRESENTATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, Reading from *Saudade*.

◦ Plains Writers Series. Wayne State College. Wayne, NE. 1 Mar. 2018.

◦ Beaverdale Books. Des Moines, IA. 27 Feb. 2018.

◦ Common Sense Reading Series. Kansas City Arts Institute. Kansas City, MO. 17 Feb. 2018.

◦ The Volland Store. Alma, KS. 17 Feb. 2018.

• **Gregory Eiselein**, "Emma Lazarus's Jewish Art Poems" (invited talk). Manhattan Jewish Congregation. Manhattan, KS, 18 Feb. 2018.

"Student Affairs and Faculty Collaborations: Barriers, Strategies, Success." Co-presented with Stephanie Bannister and Emily Lehning. *37th Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience*. San Antonio, TX. 12 Feb. 2018.

• **Katherine Karlin**, Talk Back Panel for *Not Without Laughter*. Purple Masque Theatre. Kansas

State University. Manhattan, KS. 8 Feb. 2018.

• **Phillip Marzluf**, "Desert Talk: Beatrix Bulstrode and Women's Travel Writing on the Mongolian Frontier." *The 12th Annual International Mongolian Studies Conference*. Washington, DC. 10 Feb. 2018.

AWARDS

• **Steffi Dippold** won a Director's Scholarship from the Rare Book School at the University of Virginia (Charlottesville, VA) for Summer 2018.

• **Joyce Friedel** (BA '18, English and French) won the Joseph W. Yedlicka Award given by Pi Delta Phi, a French honor society. It includes full tuition summer session scholarship to Aix-en-Provence awarded by the Institute for American Universities College, and a Pi Delta Phi Travel Grant of up to \$1,000 to help cover transportation costs for one round-trip ticket from the U.S. to the host site.

• **Philip Nel's** *Was the Cat in the Hat Black?: The Hidden Racism of Children's Literature and the Need for Diverse Books* received an Honorable Mention for the PROSE Award in Literature from the Association of American Publishers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• A staged reading of **Deborah Murray's** play, *Numb and Number*, will be produced at the Manhattan Arts Center Sunday, March 11, at 4 p.m. Based on Deborah's family's experience facing their mother's Alzheimer's diagnosis, *Numb and Number* is not so much about Alzheimer's as about the emotional upheaval a family faces when someone they love gets this diagnosis. Directed by Sally Bailey, Director of the Drama Therapy Program at K-State, the production is a partnership with faculty and students from K-State's Theatre program, the K-State English Department, and the Manhattan Arts Center. Donations for the Meadowlark Memory Program, Meadowlark Hills, will be collected.

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

- **Brennan Bestwick** (MA '16) published "After shoveling the raccoon's jaw from the asphalt we wake to the loss of our teeth" in *The Journal* 42.1 (Winter 2018).
- **Michael Noll** (BA '03) has published *The Writer's Field Guide to the Craft of Fiction* (A Strange Object Press, 2018), a craft-of-writing book.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• **Thursday, March 1, 4:00pm-5:00pm, Hale Library Hemisphere Room.** Lecture by Fulbright Visiting Scholar Tim Mehigan on "J.M. Coetzee in Chicago: Ethics as the problem of getting 'to the far territory, where we want to be.'"

• **Sunday, March 11, 1:00pm-3:30pm, Union Big 12 Room.** "Frankenstein on Screen," film viewing and discussion.

• **Wednesday, March 14, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Union Big 12 Room** Department Colloquium. Professor Tim Dayton presents "Crusaders and Barbarians in American First World War Poetry; or, Base and Superstructure in Cultural Analysis."

• **Wednesday, March 14, 5:00pm-6:00pm, Union 227.** Sherman Alexie and #MeToo: A Discussion.

• **Friday, March 30, 9:00am-3:00pm.** Graduate Program Visiting Day.

• **Friday, March 30, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Hale Hemisphere Room.** Reading by visiting Big XII writer Debra Marquart.

• **Friday, March 30, 5:00pm-8:00pm, Ekdahl Conference Room, Regnier Hall.** 2017 Touchstone Launch Party.

• **Saturday, April 7, 9:00am-3:00pm.** K-State Open House

• **Saturday, April 7, 3:00pm-4:00pm, Manhattan Public Library.** Kevin Rabas (MA '98), current Poet Laureate of Kansas, speaks on "Finding the Extraordinary in the Ordinary" and reads from his work.

• **Friday, April 13, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Ekdahl Conference Room, Regnier Hall.** Reading by author Lily Hoang.

• **Friday, April 13, 7:00pm-8:00pm, Arrow Coffee Co.** Driptorch Reading Series.

• **Saturday, April 21, 9:00am-3:30pm, Union Flinthills Room.** 6th Biennial ChALC Interdisciplinary Conference. Keynote Speaker: Jacqueline Woodson, author of *Brown Girl Dreaming*.

• **Tuesday, April 24, 11:00am-1:00pm, Hale Hemisphere Room.** Spotlight on English: An Undergraduate Celebration

• **Wednesday, April 25, 11:00am-1:00pm, Hale Hemisphere Room.** Spotlight on English: An Undergraduate Celebration

• **Wednesday, April 25, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Union 227.** The 15th Annual Graduate Student Literature Symposium, featuring presentations by three current M.A. students.

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