

# Reading Matters

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## PUBLICATIONS

- **Elizabeth Dodd**, "Isogloss: Language and Legacy on Mount St. Helens." *The Georgia Review* (Spring 2012): 104-115.

- **Joe Sutliff Sanders**, "To Allude or to, Like, Not." *The Comics Forum*. 13 Apr. 2012. <<http://comicsforum.org/2012/04/13/to-allude-or-to-like-not-by-joe-sutliff-sanders/>>.

Review of *The Oxford Handbook of Children's Literature*, ed. Julia L. Mickenberg and Lynne Vallone. *The Lion and the Unicorn* 35.3 (2011): 314-17.

- **Karin Westman, Naomi Wood**, and David Russell, eds., *Lion and the Unicorn* 36.1.
- **Naomi Wood**, "Angelic, Atavistic, Human: The Child of the Victorian Period (1837-1901)." *The Child in British Literature*. Ed. Adrienne Gavin. London: Palgrave MacMillan, 2012. 116-130.

## PRESENTATIONS

- **Ashley Brown, Chris Patch**, and **Melissa Prescott** gave a short presentation in "Teaching Cultural Studies Now" (seminar led by **Don Hedrick**) at the

*Cultural Studies Association Conference*, University of California at San Diego. 30 Mar. 2012.

- **Elizabeth Dodd** was a Visiting Writer at Emporia State University 20 Apr. 2012, visiting classes and giving a public reading.

- **Michele Janette**, "Mỹ Việt: Literary Anthology as Intervention in Politics of Representation of Vietnam" (paper) on "Choosing to Tell Vietnam and America" (panel, which she also chaired). *Association of Asian American Studies Conference*. Washington, DC. 11 Apr. 2012.

*She Told Me Stories* (film, co-created by Janette, Gabriela Diaz de Sabates, Sue Zschoche, and others) was screened at Washburn University, 28 Mar. 2012, and will be screened in Manhattan on Jun. 9.

- **Katherine Karlin**, "The Severac Sound" (reading). *Associated Writing Programs Conference*. Jake Melnicks's Tap Room. Chicago, IL. 2 Mar. 2012.

"Tales from the Trenches: Teaching the Novel and Novella" (panelist). *Associated Writing Programs Conference*. Chicago, IL. 1 Mar. 2012.

- **Wendy Matlock**, "Medieval Debate Poetry: Genre or 'Literary-Historical Illusion'?" *Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association Conference*. Pocatello, ID. 13 Apr. 2012.

- **Deborah Murray**, "Concise, Quotable, & Compelling: How to Make 'Making a Difference' Fun" (workshop). Adult Development & Aging Program Focus Retreat (K-State Research & Extension), Crosswinds Conference Center, Hesston, KS. 18 Apr. 2012.

## AWARDS

- **Pallabi Gupta** was awarded Outstanding ICC Member 2012 for her work as a technical communicator and event host for the International Coordinating Council's International Panel Discussion on 11 Apr. 2012.

- **Katy Karlin's** *Send Me Work* has won the Balcones Fiction Prize, hosted by Austin Community College Creative Writing. The prize has a \$1,500 award and they will fly Karlin to Austin, TX. for a reading.

*Send Me Work* was also a finalist in the John Gardner Fiction Award, sponsored by SUNY Binghamton.

- **Kara Northway** was awarded a Folger Shakespeare Library Short-Term Fellowship.
- **Joe Sutliff Sanders** has been awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to the University of Luxembourg for the spring of 2013.
- **Lisa Tatonetti's** co-edited anthology, *Sovereign Erotics*, has been awarded the Silver Medal in the 2012 Independent Publisher Book Awards.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Michael Donnelly** won plaudits for his role as Polonius in Charlotte Macfarland's production of *Hamlet*, Nichols Theatre, Apr. 19-21 and 25-29, 2012.
- **Jim Machor's** *Reading Fiction in Antebellum America* has been nominated by Johns Hopkins University Press for the 2012 Modern Language Association Scaglione Prize for the best book in Comparative Literary Studies.

## NEWS FROM ALUMNI

- **Dennis Etzel Jr.** (MA 2006) was recently awarded the Washburn University Student Life's Achieving Excellence Award and was a Muriel D. Clarke Student Life Award Nominee at Washburn University, where he teaches English. His poems appeared in *BlazeVOX*, *3:AM*, and *Flint Hills Review*, with others forthcoming in *DIAGRAM*, *Fact-Simile*, *Indiana Review*, and *1913: A Journal of Forms*.

- **Lindsey Givens** (MA 2011) published "Optimizing Marketing Efforts for Libraries" in *FrontMatter*, a publishing industry newsletter produced by Allen Press: <<http://allenpress.com/frontmatter/issue/issue-19-2012/optimizing-marketing-efforts-libraries>>.
- **Francine Marie Tolf** (MA 2003) has a new book: *Prodigal* (Pinyon Publishing, 2012), a collection of poems.
- **Amy Sage Webb** (MA 1993), has won the Roe R. Cross Distinguished Professor Award at Emporia State University. The award is given annually to the professor who best demonstrates teaching excellence, professional activities, fostering of intellectual atmosphere, service to the university outside the classroom and status as a student mentor. During her 17-year tenure at Emporia State, Webb — who becomes a full professor in August — has taught 25 different courses, published 11 creative publications and eight essays, given 12 performances of scholarly work and 69 presentations at professional conferences. Her short story collection, *Save Your Own life: Kansas Stories*, was recently accepted for publication by Topeka's Woodley Press. Webb has served as president of Emporia State's Faculty Senate and earned the Ruth Schillinger Faculty Award for outstanding service to women in 2011, the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Award for Excellence in Service in 2008, and Excellence in Teaching in 2007.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Monday, May 7, 2012, 3:30 pm, Union 212.** Masters of the Universe reading by the graduating M.A. students in the Creative Writing track.
- **Wednesday, August 22, 2012, 3:30 pm, Union 212.** Welcome Back Reading by K-State Faculty.

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