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PUBLICATIONS

• **Traci Brimhall**, "Aubade on a Ghost Hunt" (poem). *Academy of American Poets Poem-A-Day Series*. 27 Oct. 2021. <<https://poets.org/poem/aubade-ghost-hunt>>.

• **Elizabeth Dodd**, "From *The Workbook for the Interpretation of Dreams*: Leibniz or Neoliberal Allegory? Show Your Independent Work" (poem). *Good River Review*, Issue 2, Fall 2021. <<https://www.goodriverreview.com/post/elizabethdodd>>.

• **Anne K. Phillips** and **Gregory Eiselein**, "Invincible Nina: Louisa May Alcott and the Depression-Era Feminism of *Invincible Louisa* (1934)." *Dust Off the Gold Medal: Rediscovering Children's Literature at the Newbery Centennial*, ed. Sara L. Schwebel and Jocelyn Van Tuyl, Routledge, 2022, pp. 67–82.

• **Shirley F. Tung**, "Rewriting Addison, Antiquity, and Female Agency: Lady Mary Wortley Montagu's 'Remarks on Italy.'" *Emotions in Non-Fictional Representations of the Individual, 1600–1850: Between East and West*, ed. Malina Stefanovska, Yinghui Wu, and Marie-Paule de Weerd-Pilorge, Palgrave MacMillan, 2021, pp.45–74.

PRESENTATIONS

• **Aishah Chaudhry** (BA '24), **Michele Janette**, and **Tom Sarmiento**, "#StopAAPIHate: A

Brief History of Asians in America." KSUnit Conference, Kansas State University, 12 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Gabrielle Coffey** (MA '22), "Frankenstein as Body Horror." *Frankenstein* Lightning Lecture Series, Kansas State University, 29 Oct. 2021. Hybrid.

• **Mark Crosby**, "The Ghost Story Competition." *Frankenstein* Lightning Lecture Series, Kansas State University, 29 Oct. 2021. Hybrid.

• **Michele Janette**, "The Camera in America: The Critical Refugee Figure in Dao Strom's *Grass Roof, Tin Roof*." Department of English Colloquium, Kansas State University, 27 Oct. 2021. Online.

With **Benjamin Trickey** (MA '23) (co-facilitators), "Informal Conversation with Viet Thanh Nguyen," Department of English, Kansas State University, 22 Oct. 2021. Online.

With **Lisa Tatonetti**, **Hunter Scott** (MA '22), and **Tolu Daniel** (MA '22), "Introduction to the Work of Viet Thanh Nguyen." Manhattan (Kansas) Public Library, 13 Oct. 2021.

• **Abby Knoblauch**, "Ask Our Alumni Panels: Grad School Series (Humanities)" (invited panelist). Northland College, 14 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Philip Nel**, "Keywords for Aesthetic and Pedagogic Entanglements" (panel co-chair and co-organizer). *International Research Society for Children's*

Literature, Santiago, Chile, 29 Oct. 2021. Online.

Active Readers and Social Justice" (panel chair). *International Research Society for Children's Literature*, Santiago, Chile, 25 Oct. 2021. Online

"Pechakucha Session 1: PictureBooks" (panel chair and moderator). *International Research Society for Children's Literature*, Santiago, Chile, 20 Oct. 2021. Online.

"Children and Youth Studies Caucus: The Creative Child and Inequalities of Identity" (panel chair and co-organizer), *American Studies Association*, 13 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Tom Sarmiento**, "Virtual Book Conversation: *Q & A: Voices from Queer Asian North America*" (invited panelist). Filipinx/a/o American & LGBTQIA+ History Month event, San Diego Public Library, 19 Oct. 2021. Online.

"A Brief History of Filipinx Americans" (invited speaker). Filipinx American History Month observance, Asian American Student Union meeting, Kansas State University, 14 Oct. 2021.

• **Hunter Scott** (MA '22) and **Tolu Daniel** (MA '22) (co-host) with **Michele Janette** (co-facilitator), "An Afternoon with Viet Thanh Nguyen," Department of English, Kansas State University, 22 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Hunter Scott** (MA '22), "Facing Sameness: Reconsidering the Radicality of Tom of Finland." Kansas LGBTQ+ Leadership Conference, Kansas State University, 15 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Shirley Tung**, “The Feminist Origins of *Frankenstein*.” *Frankenstein* Lightning Lecture Series, Kansas State University, 29 Oct. 2021. Hybrid.

• **Karin Westman**, “Wild Hearts: Lita Judge’s *Mary’s Monster: Love, Madness, and How Mary Shelly Created Frankenstein* (2018).” *International Research Society for Children’s Literature*, Santiago, Chile, 28 Oct. 2021. Online.

• **Spencer Young** (MA ’22), “The Climatological *Frankenstein*.” *Frankenstein* Lightning Lecture Series, Kansas State University, 29 Oct. 2021. Hybrid.

FEATURED IN MEDIA

• **Traci Brimhall** shared her perspective on Amelia Earhart’s poetry in *The Washington Post* for “Amelia Earhart’s long-hidden poems reveal an enigma’s inner thoughts” (17 Oct. 2021): <https://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/books/amelia-earhart-poems/2021/10/14/7fc713fa-2cef-11ec-8ef6-3ca8fe943a92_story.html>.

• **Tom Sarmiento** was a guest on the “Halloween Spooktacular” episode of *The Lavender Lounge* podcast for the K-State LGBT Resource Center (31 Oct. 2021): <https://fb.watch/8_OgY01Ihc/>.

• Margaret Latenser quotes **Sarmiento** in their role as conference steering committee member in “LGBTQ+ Leadership Conference centers queer voices on campus” for *The Kansas State Collegian* (21 Oct. 2021): <<https://www.kstatecollegian.com/2021/10/21/lgbtq-leadership-conference-centers-queer-voices-on-campus/>>.

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

• **Darin Jensen** (MA ’03) has accepted a tenured faculty position in the English, Linguistics, and Writing

Studies Department at Salt Lake Community College.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Friday, Nov. 5, 3:30-4:30 p.m.**
Alumni Connections 2021
- **Friday, Nov. 12, 3:30-5 p.m.**
Cultural Studies Mini-Seminar II
- **Thursday, Nov. 18, 5-6 p.m.** Grad Program Online Preview
- **Sunday, Nov. 28, 2 p.m.**
Celebrating Louisa May Alcott
- **Wednesday, Dec. 1, 3:30-4:30 p.m.** SAGE Department Colloquium

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