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## **PUBLICATIONS**

# • Ania Payne

"Courage" (nonfiction essay). Fleas on the Dog (FOTD) Online, issue 10, 13 Nov. 2021. <a href="https://fleasonthedog.com/">https://fleasonthedog.com/</a>

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- Gregory Eiselein, "Celebrating Louisa May Alcott" (chaired online research seminar). The Louisa May Alcott Society. 28 Nov. 2021. <a href="http://www.louisamayalcottsociety.org/2021/11/celebrating-lma-2021.html">http://www.louisamayalcottsociety.org/2021/11/celebrating-lma-2021.html</a>
- "Engaging and Supporting First-Generation Students Through the New Not-Normal" (co-presented with Kiley Moody and Rebeca Paz). The Teaching & Learning Center's Professional Development Series, Kansas State University, 10 Nov. 2021. <a href="https://youtu.be/zA6nnPQdfzU">https://youtu.be/zA6nnPQdfzU</a>
- Phillip Marzluf, "Traveling Tongues: Language Ideologies from Travel Writing in Mongolia and Northern China." *Midwest Modern Language Association Conference*, Milwaukee, WI, 6 Nov. 2021.
- Philip Nel, "What's a Radical Picturebook?" Guest lecture for two classes: "Children's Literature and Literacies MEd" (University of Glasgow) and "Children's Literature, Media & Culture" (Erasmus Mundus International Masters). Online. 17 Nov. 2021.

• Tom Sarmiento, Sparked: George Floyd, Racism, and the Progressive Illusion panel event with book editor and American Studies alumnx contributors (invited panelist). Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, 5 Nov. 2021. Online.

Q & A: Voices from Queer Asian North America Virtual Book Celebration (invited panelist). Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota, 4 Nov. 2021. Online.

#### **AWARDS**

• Anne Longmuir received a Sassoon Fellowship from the Bodleian Libraries, University of Oxford, UK.

**Longmuir** also received a 2021 William L. Stamey Award for Undergraduate Teaching from the College of Arts & Sciences, Kansas State University.

- Kara Northway received a 2021 Ron Gaches Teaching Award from the College of Arts & Sciences, Kansas State University.
- Lisa Tatonetti received the 2021 Ron Gaches Lifetime Teaching Award from the College of Arts & Sciences, Kansas State University.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• Lucas Cook (BA '23), Evelyn Garcia (BA '23), Cassidy Hartig (BA '24), and Kinsley Searles (BA '22) were inducted into our chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the national English honorary society.

**Garcia** was also inducted into Tri-Alpha, the national first-generation college student honorary society.

• Tom Sarmiento earned a microcredential in Inclusive Teaching for Equitable Learning from the Associate of College and University Educators (ACUE) after completing 5 asynchronous modules in inclusive teaching practices that required the implementation of evidence-based instructional approaches between September and November 2021.

# **NEWS FROM ALUMNI**

- Brennan Bestwick (MA '16) published the poem "Let Us Pray" in the Prairie Schooner (Summer 2021).
- Gavin Colton (MA '16) published the essay "Teeth" in the *Hippocampus Magazine* (Nov. 2021): https://hippocampusmagazine.com/2021/11/teeth-by-gavin-paul-colton/.

Colton's previous published short story "The Lippy" in *The Wax Paper* (Issue 11, vol. 3, 2021) has been nominated for a Pushcart award: <a href="https://thewaxpaper.com/issue-eleven">https://thewaxpaper.com/issue-eleven</a>>.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• Saturday, Dec. 11, 2-3 p.m. Mock Caldecott

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