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PUBLICATIONS

• Traci Brimhall, "Matar as Saudades," "Il dolce suono," and "The Death of the Last Encantado" (poems).

Waxwing. Issue XI, Spring 2017 http://waxwingmag.org/items/ issue 11/15_Brimhall-Matar-as-Saudades.php>.

"Ka. Qua. Craft" (essay). Coauthored with Catherine Keefe. *TAB: The Journal of Poetry & Poetics*. 5.1 (2017): 6-9.

Sophia & The Boy Who Fell (children's book). Illustrated by Sarah Nguyen. Warrensburg: SeedStar Books, 2017.

- Steffi Dippold, ed., Reading Kansas: Hidden Histories of Midwestern Book Culture (undergraduate research digital humanities project): http:// readingkansas.weebly.com/>.
- **Phillip Marzluf**, "Literacy under Authority: The Mongolian Cultural Campaigns." *The Journal of Asian Studies* 76.1 (2017): 135-157.
- Kara Northway, "Bid the players make haste': Speed-Making and Motion Sickness in *Hamlet*." *Shakespeare Studies* 44 (2016): 263-90.
- Naomi Wood, "Childhood, Imagination, Consecration: Romantic Christianity in C.S. Lewis and George MacDonald." Bloomsbury Reader on Childhood and Religion. Ed.

Anna Strhan, Stephen G. Parker, Susan Ridgley. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2016. 267-78.

PRESENTATIONS

• Traci Brimhall, "Hop, Skype, and a Jump: Connecting Students and Writers with Skype" (Panelist). Association of Writers & Writing Programs Conference. Washington D.C., 9 Feb 2017.

Reading from *Our Lady of the Ruins*. Rutgers University-Camden. Camden, NJ. 15 Feb 2017.

• Steffi Dippold, "Humble Nudity: The Seal of Massachusetts Bay Colony." 10th Biennial Conference of the Society of Early Americanists. Tulsa, OK. 2 March 2017.

Steffi Dippold, Hunter Nelson (BA '19), Sarah Peterson (BA '17), Malorie Wagner (BA '18), and Cheyenne White (BA '18), "Reading Kansas: Finding Early America in Local Special Collections." 10th Biennial Conference of the Society of Early Americanists. Tulsa, OK. 4 March 2017.

• Gregory Eiselein, "Archiving (for) the Future: Creating First-Year Experience Programs Digital Archives." Co-presented with Tara Coleman and Mariya Vaughan. 36th Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience. Atlanta, Georgia, 13 Feb 2017.

AWARDS

- Steffi Dippold received a Short Term Fellowship from Bibliographical Society of America.
- •Sarah Peterson (BA '17), Malorie Wagner (BA '18), and Cheyenne White (BA '18) received an A&S Undergraduate Travel Awards to present "Reading Kansas" at the 10th Biennial Conference of the Society of Early Americanists in Tulsa, OK.

ANOUNCEMENTS

 As of July, Mark Crosby, Cameron Leader-Picone, and Mary Kohn will be serving at the rank of Associate Professor, and Joe Sutliff Sanders and Tanya González will be serving at the rank of Professor.

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

- David Kruger (MA '96), Agricultural Research Librarian for U of Wyoming Libraries, is publishing his first book, *J.C.* Penney: The Man, the Store, and American Agriculture, with the University of Oklahoma Press this spring.
- Adam Szetela (MA '15), an Assistant Professor in the Berklee College of Music's Liberal Arts Department, recently published "After the Death of Her Wife" (poem, Literature Today: An International Journal of Contemporary Literature 6 [2017]),

"Between Labor and Capital: The Labor of American Bodybuilding" (*The Journal of American Culture* 39.4 [2016]), "Ayahuasca, Meditation and Activism: On Cultivating the Mindful Politics of Love" (*Salon*, 18 Feb. 2017), and "Mass" (poem, *Pilgrimage Magazine* 40.1 [2017]) His poem "After Whitman" was reprinted in the *James Dickey Review* 30.3 (2017).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Friday, March 10, 3:30pm, Hemisphere Room, Hale Library. Reading by Wilton Barnhardt.
- Friday, March 10, 6:30 pm, Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community. Shakespeare Now! documentary screening of "Still Dreaming."
- Wednesday, March 15, 3:30 pm, Union 226. Karin Westman, Department Head, will present "Mind the Gap: Harry Potter and the Fantasy (of) Genre."
- Wednesday, March 15, 6:00 pm, Manhattan Public Library. Shakespeare Now! discussion of Ian McEwan's "Nutshell."
- Friday, March 31, 9:00am—3:00pm, ECS. Grad Program Visiting Day.
- Friday, March 31, 3:30pm, Hemisphere Room, Hale Library. Reading by Joy Castro.
- Saturday, April 1, 9:00am— 3:00 pm. University Open House.
- Monday, April 3, 3:30pm-4:30pm, Leadership Studies Building. Lecture by Stephanie Kerschbaum.
- Friday, April 7, 4:30pm-6:00pm. Undergrad Spring Social.

• Saturday, April 22, 1:30pm-5:30pm, Hemisphere Room, Hale Library. Shakespeare Now! An Interdisciplinary Research and Teaching Symposium.

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